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APPENDIX.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

TO BE OBSERVED IN THE

LIBRARY OF MISSISSIPPI.

ARTICLE 1. The Library shall be opened every day during the session of the Legislature, Sundays excepted, from nine o'clock in the morning till three o'clock in the afternoon.

ART. 2. In the recess of the Legislature, it shall be open three days in the week—Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, from nine o'clock in the morning to three o'clock in the afternoon, and on no other day. But during the sessions of the High Court of Errors and Appeals, the Court of Chancery, and the Circuit Court of the United States, the Judges of those Courts shall have access to the Library every day in the week, Sundays excepted, from nine o'clock in the morning till five o'clock in the afternoon; subject, however, to the rules and regulations herein prescribed.

ART. 3. It shall be the duty of the Librarian to make a convenient classification and arrangement of the books in the Library, and such as may be added from time to time; to have the books labelled or designated in such a manner as he may prefer, and to preserve due lists and catalogues of the same. He shall also keep due account and register of all issues and returns of books, as the same may be made.

ART. 4. Books issued by the Librarian, pursuant to law, or the regulations of the Library, shall be returned as follows:

A folio, within three weeks.

A quarto, within two weeks.

An octavo, or duodecimo, within one week.

And no person shall receive more than one folio, one quarto, or

two octavos or duodecimos, within the terms aforesaid, unless so connected as to be otherwise useless, except that when any of the Judges may find it necessary to examine and refer to any greater number of law books, he or they shall have a right, if he desires, to take out the law books so deemed necessary by him or them, subject to the rules hereby established.

Art. 5. For all books issued to any person, a receipt or note shall be given, payable to the Trustees of the Mississippi State Library, and their successors in office, for double the value thereof, if in one volume only, but if it be one of a set, then double the value of the set to which it may belong, as nearly as the Librarian can ascertain the same, conditioned to return the book, undefaced, within the time above mentioned, or to forfeit the amount of such note: at the expiration of which time, unless application has been made by another person for the same book, and the Librarian requested to make a memorandum thereof, the said Librarian, upon the books being produced to him, may renew the issue for the same, for the time and upon the conditions aforesaid: *Provided*, that every receipt or note shall contain a further forfeiture or penalty, for every day's detention of a book beyond the specified time; that is to say:

For a folio, one dollar per day.

For a quarto, fifty cents per day.

For an octavo or duodecimo, twenty-five cents per day.

Which forfeiture or penalty may, for good cause, be remitted by the Executive, in whole or part, as the case may require.

Art. 6. When any person entitled to the use of the Library shall prefer to take a book for the limited time without removing it from the Library, he shall be allowed to do so, and preserve his priority for the use of such book, for the time limited, in like manner as if he had withdrawn the book from the Library; and the Librarian shall keep due account and entry of all such cases.

Art. 7. No book shall be taken from the Library for the purpose of being loaned to persons who are not entitled, as members or functionaries of the Government, to their use.

Art. 8. Books returned shall be delivered to the Librarian, to be examined whether damaged or not.

Art. 9. If a book be returned damaged, the party returning it shall not be entitled to receive another, until the damage for the first be satisfied; nor shall any person who has incurred any fine or forfeiture, be entitled to receive a book from the Library, until such fine or forfeiture be satisfied.

Art. 10 No book shall be issued within eight days of the termination of any session of the Legislature, to any member thereof.

Art. 11. All books issued to the members of the Legislature shall be returned five days before the close of the session, whether the time allowed for the use thereof be expired or not.

Art. 12. No person shall be allowed to take down from the

presses or shelves in the Library (without permission granted by the Librarian,) or in any manner to derange or misplace any of the books or other property belonging thereto.

Art. 13. No person or persons shall be allowed to hold conversation in loud voice in the Library room, or in any manner to hinder, molest, or disturb any others who may be disposed to read there.

Art. 14. There shall be retained in the Library all charts, maps, plans of buildings, or other designs in manuscript; volumes of plates or engravings; books accompanying charts, plates, or engravings; tables of chronology; volumes of newspapers, and other periodical political publications; encyclopœdias, or dictionaries of the arts; all geographical works, gazettes and dictionaries of language. Of the above, none shall be taken from the Library by any person, without special requisition, in writing, from the Speaker of either House of the Legislature, when the same may be required for the immediate use of the House.

Art. 15. It shall be the duty of the Librarian, six days before the termination of any session of the Legislature, to present to any member thereof, a list of the books which he has received from the Library, and not returned.

Art. 16. The Librarian shall, four days before the termination of any session of the Legislature, furnish the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President of the Senate, with a list of the names of such of the members thereof as shall not have returned the books received from the Library, together with a description and value of such books, and also of the value of the set to which they may belong, and the amount of fines with which they may stand charged.

Art 17. The Librarian shall collect all fines, and forfeitures, accruing upon notes given for books taken from the Library, for which he shall account with the Trustees of the Library, from time to time, as may be required.

Art. 18. A printed catalogue of the books, with the rules annexed, shall be furnished to each person entitled to the use of the Library.

Art. 19. All persons shall be entitled to the use of the Library on the days during which the same shall be open, pursuant to the foregoing rules. * * * * * * * *

Art. 20. The Librarian shall enter into bond with two securities, in the penalty of two thousand dollars, conditioned that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his appointment according to law, and the rules and regulations which may, from time to time, be prescribed by the Board of Trustees for said Library, and that he will deliver over to his successor, all books, maps, charts, papers, manuscripts, engravings, and whatever else properly belongs and appertains to said Library.

Resolved, That books shall not hereafter be taken from the Li-

brary by any person except a member of the Board of Trustees, or one of the Judges of the Circuit Court of the United States, the State Treasurer, Adjutant General, or State Commissioner; *Provided*, that this resolution shall not extend to members of either House of the Legislature during the session of the same; and the 19th article of the rules and regulations for the government of the Library, so far as it authorizes books *to be taken from the Library*, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

Resolved, That persons who have filled the office of Governor of this State, of Chancellor, or of Judge of the High Court of Errors and Appeals, or who have been members of the Senate of the United States from this State, shall be entitled to take books, out of the State Library, whilst they may be in the city of Jackson, in the same manner, and upon the same conditions with the members of the Board of Trustees.—[Nov. 3d, 1848.

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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI.

REPORTS.

	Vols.	Cost.
Alabama Reports, (vols. 7 and 8 wanting,).....	28	
Alabama Reports, (from 1820 to 1826,).....	1	
American Jurist,.....	28	$70 00
American Law Journal,.....	6	21 00
Arkansas Reports,.....	5	
Ambler's Chancery Reports,.....	2	12 00
Anstruther's Reports,.....	1	1 75
American Law Register,.....	1	
Atkyn's Reports,.....	3	10 00
Aiken's Reports,.....	2	8 80
Ashmead's Reports, (vol. 2d.).....		
Bailey's Equity Reports,.....	1	6 60
Bailey's Reports,.....	2	12 00
Ball and Beatty's Chancery Reports,.....	2	5 00
Barbour's Supreme Court Report, (vol. 17 wanting,).....	22	35 00
Barbour's Chancery Reports,.....	3	15 00
Binney's Reports,.....	6	
Blackford's Reports,.....	8	
Blackstone's (H.) Reports,.....	2	7 50
Blackstone's (Sir W.) Reports,.....	2	7 50
Bay's Reports,.....	2	12 00
Bosanquet and Puller's Reports.....	5	15 00
Brevard's Reports,.....	3	
Bresse's Reports,.....	1	3 00

	Vols.	Cost.
Blatchford's Circuit Court,	1	$5 50
Brown's Chancery Reports,	4	23 00
Brown's Cases in Parliament,	8	48 00
Bunbury's Reports,	1	1 80
Bradford's Reports,	3	12 00
Baldwin's Reports,	1	6 00
Burrow's Reports,	5	10 00
Brockenbrough's Reports,	2	10 00
Brown's Pennsylvania Reports,	2	6 00
Caine's Reports,	3	
Case's Cases in Error,	2	10 00
Call's Reports,	6	30 00
Cameron and Norwood's Reports,	1	5 00
Chandler's Reports,	4	
City Hall Recorder,	6	9 00
Cheves' Law and Equity Reports,	1	
California Reports, (vol. 2 wanting,)	4	
Cox's Reports,	7	25 00
Cox's Cases,	2	7 50
Comstock's Reports, (vol. 3 wanting,)	4	
Constitutional Reports, (South Carolina,)	1	
Connecticut Reports,	24	
Charlton's Reports,	1	
Carter's Indiana Reports,	2	8 00
Clarke's Chancery Reports,	1	5 00
Chipman's Reports,	1	4 40
Cowen's Reports,	9	54 00
Cranch's Reports,	9	25 00
Cowper's Reports,	2	5 00
Coxe's Reports,	3	12 00
Cushing's Reports,	9	
Cases in time of William III.,	1	
Dudley's Law and Equity Reports,	1	
Dallas' Reports,	4	12 00
Daniell's Reports,	1	6 00
Day's Reports,	5	15 00
Denia's Reports,	5	
Desaussure's Reports,	4	
Devereaux and Battle's Equity Cases,	4	
Douglass' Michigan Reports,	1	7 00
Douglass' Reports,	1	
Deveraux and Battle's Reports,	2	
Devereaux's Reports,	4	
Dyer's Reports,	3	7 50
Dunford and East's Reports,	8	10 00
Dutcher's Reports,	1	4 00
East's Reports,	8	20 00

	Vols.	Cost.
Eden's Reports,	2	$4 50
English Chancery Reports,	41	
English Law and Equity Reports, (vol. 33 wanting,)	35	
English Common Law Reports, (vols. 67 and 83 wanting.)	85	
Exchequer Reports,	11	
English Ecclesiastical Reports,	7	
English's Reports, (vols. 4 and 6 wanting,)	8	
English Crown Cases,	2	
Edward's Chancery Reports,	4	20 00
Foster's Reports,	11	
Florida Reports,	4	
Freeman's Chancery Reports, (214 copies,)		
Georgia reports, (vols. 1 and 2 wanting,)	17	
Gill and Johnson's reports	12	
Gill's reports, (vols. 3, 4, 5 and 8 wanting,)	9	
Gillison's reports,	2	12 00
Gillman's reports,	5	
Gilpin's reports,	1	
Grattan's reports,	12	
Gray's reports,	3	10 00
G. Green's reports,	1	
Halsted's reports,	7	21 00
Halsted's Chancery Reports, (vol. 1 wanting,)	4	
Harris and Gill's reports,	2	
Hardin's reports,	1	
Harrington's Chancery reports,	2	
Harrington's reports,	4	10 50
Harris and Johnson's reports, (vol. 5 wanting,)	6	
Harris and McHenry's reports,	3	13 00
Harper's reports,	1	4 50
Henning and Mumford's reports,	4	26 00
Hill's Chancery reports, (vol. 1 wanting,)	3	
Hill's reports, (New York, vol. 2 wanting,)	7	
Hopkin's Chancery reports,	1	6 00
Hobart's reports,	1	
Hall's reports, (S. C.)	2	11 00
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Howard's U. S. reports, (vol. 17 wanting,)	18	
Hoffman's Chancery reports	1	6 00
Humphrey's reports, (vol. 5 wanting,)	11	
Hawk's reports, (N. C.)	4	
Haywood's reports, (N. C., from 1789 to 1798,)	1	
Howard's Mississippi reports, (75 sets,)		
Indiana reports	2	
Illinois reports, (all under vol. 9 wanting,)	16	

	Vols.	Cost.
Iredell's Law reports,	13	
Iredell's Equity reports,	8	
Jacob and Walker's reports,	2	8 00
Johnson's Cases,	3	12 00
" reports,	20	75 00
" Chancery reports,	7	45 00
Jefferson's reports,	1	
Kelying's reports,	1	2 00
Kearn's reports,	3	
Kelly's Superior Court reports, (Georgia,)	3	
Kentucky reports, (Bibb,)	4	20 00
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" " (A. K. Marshall,)	3	10 00
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" Superior Court reports, (condensed,)	4	
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Leigh's reports,	12	85 00
Law Library,	34	
Lutwiche's reports,	1	6 00
Levin's reports,	2	
Lucas' Cases in Law and Equity,	1	
Leach's Cases in Crown Law,	2	
Maine reports,	39	
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Martin's reports,	12	80 00
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Maryland Chancery Decisions,	4	
Martin and Yerger's reports,	1	
Maryland reports,	8	
Mason's reports,	5	28 00
Massachusetts reports,	17	60 00
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Mitford's Chancery reports,	1	3 00
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M'Mullans Equity reports,	1	
McMullan's reports,	2	
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Metcalf's reports,	13	55 00
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Michigan reports, (Douglass,)	1	
Missouri Reports, (vols. 3 and 5 wanting,)	23	
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	Vols.	Cost.
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Meig's reports,.....	1	5 00
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Mississippi reports, (Howard,).....	7	
" " (Smedes and Marshall,).....	14	
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" " (George,).....	1	
Modern Cases Law and Equity,.....	2	
New Hampshire reports,.....	15	
North Carolina reports, (1834, '35, '38, '40, '41, '42, '43,).....	4	
North Carolina Equity reports, (Humphrey's,)....	3	
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" " " (Busbee's,).....	1	
" " Law reports, (Busbee's,).....	1	
" " " " (Jones',).....	1	
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" Law reports,	5	
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Spear's Equity reports,	1	4 00
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Walker's reports,	1	
Washington's Circuit Court reports,	4	18 00
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American Citizen,	1	
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Angell on the Law of Carriers,	1	5 50
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Barbour's Criminal Treaties,	1	
Ballantine on Limitations,	1	1 50
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Chitty's Medical Jurisprudence,	1	3 00
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Commercial Code of France,	1	2 50
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Crown Circuit Companion,	1	
Daniell's Chancery Pleading and Practice,	3	12 50
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Gilbert on Equity,	1	2 50
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Roberts on Conveyances,.....	1	2 00
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Saunders on Uses and Trusts,.....	1	3 50
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Smith's Leading Cases,.....	2	
Spencer's Equitable Jurisdiction,.....	1	
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AUDITOR'S REPORT.

AUDITOR'S OFFICE, JACKSON, MISS.,
November 9, 1857.

To the Legislature of the State of Mississippi:

I herewith submit the following report of the receipts and disbursements of this office, from the 1st day of January last to the 31st day of October, 1857, both days inclusive, and also tabular statements of the Trust Funds, as exhibited by the books in this office.

Receipts at the Treasury by receipt warrants, (see Document A).....	$869,874 44
Received at the Treasury without warrant on ac't. of the Internal Improvement Fund.....	145,603 86
Making the total receipts.....	$1,015,478 30
Disbursed by Warrant during the same period, (see Document B).....	1,044,470 03
Disbursed over receipts.....	$28,991 73
Document C exhibits the amount of additional assessments of real and personal property for 1856, of.....	$7,715 40
To which add the State Tax of 1856, as returned to this office on Real and Personal Estate.....	382,404 85
Making total State Tax of 1856, as assessed,	$390,120 25
Of this amount there was collected, as per Document A.....	359,659 72
Leaving an apparent balance due of.....	$40,460 53

Which balance may be properly charged to insolvencies, delinquencies, &c., as credited to the Tax Collectors in their settlements of the revenue at this office.

In the estimate of the probable receipts at the Treasury, on

account of the State Tax of 1856, as per my report to His Excellency, J. J. McRae, Governor, dated January 17, 1857, I put the amount at..... $363,859 96
The actual receipts for 1856, as per Doc. A, were 359,659 72

Showing a difference between estimated and actual receipts..... $4,200 24

New assessments of lands and personalty for 1857 have been made the present year, but by Art. 26, Sec. 7, of the last Revenue bill, are not due at this office until the first Monday in December next. Owing to this fact, it is impossible to estimate, with any degree of certainty, the probable receipts on account of the State Tax of 1857. But from the large quantities of Swamp, Internal Improvement Chickasaw and other lands, which have been sold and become taxable since the last assessment, as well as the general enhancement of the value of property in the State, resulting from the advantages derived from the several railroads now in operation and process of speedy completion, it would be safe to assume an increase of State Tax of 1857 over that of 1856, of 25 per cent. Upon this basis, the probable receipts into the Treasury from the State tax of 1857 will be..... $449,574 65
Estimated Expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year, *excluding* appropriations..... 300,000 00

Probable receipts over expenditures..... $149,574 65

For the condition of the Chickasaw School Fund, I refer to Document D.

To Document E, I refer for the condition of the Internal Improvement Fund, and beg to call your attention particularly to that fund, and in order to better understand its condition, I herewith recapitulate the statement of Document E.

Total amount to the credit of said fund..... $760,669 89
Deduct amounts paid for levee taxes and other purposes..... 39,448 47

$721,181 43

Deduct amount disbursed to the Mobile & Ohio Railroad Company..... 100,000 00

$621,181 43

Of this amount the Mississippi Central Railroad Company was entitled to..... $207,060 47
New Orleans, Jackson and G. N. Railroad Company was entitled to..... 414,120 96 — 621,181 43

By reference to Document E, it will be seen that the Missis-

sippi Central Railroad Company has drawn on account of this fund, including scrip..... $235,000 00
The New Orleans, Jackson and G. N. Railroad Company has drawn..... 474,000 00
Showing that the Mississippi Central Railroad Company has overdrawn on account of this fund..... $27,959 53
And the New Orleans, Jackson and G. N. Railroad Company has overdrawn on account of this fund..... 59,879 04

In explanation of this, I beg to state that according to the law regulating the sales of internal improvement lands, the Auditor is required to register the Treasurer's receipt, and from this registration to charge the Treasury department with the amount so registered. Under the law of 1856, requiring internal improvement scrip to be issued to the Mississippi Central Railroad Company, there was issued to said company scrip for 50,000 acres, amounting to $87,500, which, in the purchase of the lands was to be regarded as money. When this scrip was paid into the Treasury, that department was charged accordingly; and in making up the total amount to the credit of this fund, the amount paid in scrip was included. This statement was prepared by the "Chief Clerk" of the office, who has always been remarkably accurate and efficient in his department; and in nearly four years daily intercourse with him in this office, I have never known him to make an error in calculation; and relying confidently upon the correctness of his statement, I over-issued to the railroad companies, as already stated. The error simply was, he failed to charge the fund with the amount of scrip issued to the Mississippi Central Railroad Company.

The Railroad Companies have been informed of the error, and it is to be presumed that they will refund the amounts overdrawn. If they fail to refund, it will be recollected that the whole of the Internal Improvement Fund is appropriated to these roads, as well as a portion of the Chickasaw School Fund yet due them, and it will be but a few months before an amount on account of both Funds, equal to the amount overdrawn by the Companies, will be in the Treasury to their credit; and when this occurs it will be an easy matter for the Auditor to see that the Treasury is reimbursed. I hope this explanation will be satisfactory, as I flatter myself that an examination of your Committee into the affairs of this office will detect no other error.

Document F. will show the amounts drawn on account of the Auditor's Contingent Fund. Thirteen hundred dollars is the amount appropriated by law to this Fund, and is inadequate to the various demands upon it; the Stationery alone for the present Legislature being $1,623 90. I call your attention especially to each item of expenditure charged to this Fund, and you will readily see that I could not do otherwise than to exceed the amount appropri-

ated, and I suggest that the Fund be either increased or that the Stationery purchased for the Legislature be charged to the Legislative Department.

Document G, will show the condition of the Two Per Cent. Fund, Document H, that of the Three Per Cent. Fund, and Document I, that of the Sinking Fund, as exhibited by the books of this office. In reference to these three last named Funds, it is proper to remark, that a large discrepancy exists between the books of this office and those of the Treasury Department. This discrepancy occurred many years since, and was one of the causes of the appointment of a Committee by the Legislature at the Session of 1847, for the purpose of examiniug the offices of the Auditor and Treasurer.

The various Tax Collectors have paid the State Tax with remarkable promptness.

My office is ready for the examination of your Committee.

Respectfully submitted.

MADISON McAFEE,
Auditor of Public Accounts.

[DOCUMENT A.]

RECEIPTS by Warrant from 1st January, 1857 to 31st October, 1857, inclusive.

On account of	State Tax, 1856,	359,659 72
"	Tax Sales,	2,595 26
"	Chickasaw School Fund,	347,708 56
"	Sinking Fund,	9,855 00
"	Seminary Fund,	8,153 25
"	Penitentiary,	17,019 06
"	Interest on Chickasaw School Fund loaned,	24,068 56
"	State Deeds,	1,558 19
"	Geological Survey,	398 31
"	Three Per Cent. Fund,	98,858 51
		$869,874 41
"	Internal Improvement Fund without Warrant,	145,603 86
	Total Receipts,	$1,015,478 30

[DOCUMENT B.]

Disbursements by warrant from January 1, 1857, to 31st October, 1857.

"	of Legislative,	$ 32,766 63
"	Judiciary	114,989 12
"	Executive	10,018 19
"	Appropriations,	23,720 12
"	Penitentiary	23,637 13
"	State Library	1,921 20
"	Militia	600 00
"	Revolutionary Soldiers,	162 98
"	Commissions for Assessing,	3,820 92
"	Auditor's Contingent Fund,	2,374 40
"	Public Printing	7,168 02
"	State Arsenal	250 00
"	Capitol Expenses,	444 12
"	Capitol Repairs,	1,120 10
"	University of Mississippi,	25,636 40
"	Executed Slaves	6,725 00
"	Chickasaw School Fund,	426,386 11
"	Lunatic Asylum	25,000 00
"	Institution for the Blind,	6,325 00
"	Swamp Land Fund,	3,502 81
"	Elections,	4,084 00
"	Seminary Fund,	3,587 54
"	Executive Contingent Fund,	4,000 00
"	Sinking Fund,	1,125 00
"	Deaf and Dumb Asylum,	12,000 00
"	Internal Improvement Fund,	273,561 33
"	Two Per Cent. Fund,	5,412 94
"	Contingent Fund of State Library,	5 00
"	Geological Survey,	7,594 41
"	Recording Tax Titles,	168 80
"	State Deeds,	5 00
"	Distributing Laws and Journals,	967 76
"	Code of Mississippi,	14,898 00
"	Tax Sales,	498 00
	Total,	$1,044,470 03

[DOCUMENT C.]

Additional Assessments of Real and Personal Property made by the Tax Collectors for the year 1856.

Adams	$1,358 59
Amite	21 32
Attala	26 14
Bolivar	92 81
Calhoun	None
Carroll	298 38
Chicasaw	None
Choctaw,	150 93
Claiborne	212 84
Clarke	None
Coahoma	290 57
Copiah	55 36
Covington	7 92
Desoto,	178 60
Franklin,	14 20
Greene,	None
Hancock,	6 28
Harrison	None
Hinds	1,436 71
Holmes,	271 08
Issaquena,	102 81
Itawamba,	None
Jackson,	9 42
Jasper,	5 73
Jefferson,	167 24
Jones,	57 55
Kemper,	54 80
Lafayette,	8 40
Lauderdale,	7 54
Lawrence,	None
Leake,	150 72
Lowndes	83 88
Madison,	125 00
Marion,	7 00
Marshall,	27 67
Monroe,	243 96
Neshoba,	93 54
Newton	147 63
Noxubee,	240 75
Oktibbeha	72 96

[DOCUMENT C.—Continued.]

Panola	77 64
Perry,	None
Pike,	12 34
Pontotoc,	80 66
Rankin,	37 69
Scott,	32 60
Smith	70 72
Simpson	None
Sunflower	None
Tallahatchie,	176 90
Tippah	15 61
Tishemingo,	186 75
Tunica,	19 00
Warren,	641 01
Washington,	32 93
Wayne,	None
Wilkinson,	44 75
Winston	None
Yalobusha,	19 42
Yazoo,	238 05
Total,	$7,715 40

[DOCUMENT D.]

Statement of Chickasaw School Fund.

Balance in Treasury due said fund 1, Jan'y, 1856		$171,336, 41
Received on acct. of said fund from 1, Jan'y 1856 to the 31 October 1857. inclusive,		"531,364, 75
Interest due said fund by the State as per report of Sec'y of State 1st, May 1856,		" 6014, 14
Interest due said fund by the State as per report of Sec'y of State 1st November 1856,		" 7,686, 25
Interest due said fund by the State as per report of the Sec'y of State 1st May, 1857,		" 10,279, 76
		$726,681, 31
Disbursed on acct. of said fund from 1st January, 1856, to 31st October, 1857 inclusive:		
To New Orleans, J, & G. N. Rail Road Co.	$185,000, 00	
To Miss. Central R. R. Co.	181,850, 00	
" Miss. & Tenn. " " "	181,850, 00	
" Mobile & Ohio " " "	135,000, 00	
	$683,700, 00	
" Amount paid interest due Counties	21,279, 69	
" " " for sundry other purposes,	1,267, 49	
" " of interest paid by Rail Roads to the credit of said fund due the State - - - -	6,871, 52	
" Balance due the counties on acct., Interest not drawn to 31st October, 1857, - -	2,700, 46	$715,819, 16
Balance due said fund 1st November, 1857		$10,862, 15

[DOCUMENT E.]

Exhibiting the Condition of the Internal Improvement fund.

Balance due said fund, as per Auditor Russell's Leger, December 12, 1853		$182,342 44
Sale of Internal Improvement lands in Dec. 1853		9,954 63
" " during 1854		88,300 44
" " " 1855		63,366 15
		343,963 66
Disbursed on acct. of said fund, from 12th December 1853 to 31st January 1855 inclusive		
On acct. New Orleans, Jackson & G. N. R. R.	$143,000 00	
" " Mobile and Ohio R. R.	100,000 00	
" " Miss. Central	62,500 00	
" " Levee Treasurer of Bolivar Co.	17,060 97	
" " " " Issaquena "	5,262 83	
" " " " Coahoma "	675 02	
" " Sundry other purposes	5,574 50	334,073 32
Balance due this fund, January 1st 1856		9,890 34
Sale of lands in specie from the 1st January 1856 to 31st December 1856	$184,442 31	
" " Miss. Central R. R. scrip	86,659 01	271,101 32
		280,991 66
Deduct amount paid in scrip, issued to Miss. Central R. R.		86,659 01
Amount to credit of said fund in specie		194,332 65
Disbursed from 1st Januray 1856 to 31st December inclusive,		
To N. O. Jackson & G. N. Rail Road Co.	$121,000 00	
" Miss. Central R. R. Co.	25,000 00	
Sundry other purposes	7,353 76	153,353 76
Balance to credit of said fund 1st January 1857		40,978 89
Sale of lands from 1st January 1857 to 1st November 1857, inclusive		145,603 86
		186,582 75
Disbursed from 1st January 1857, to 1st November 1857 inclusive,		
To N. O., Jackson and G. N. Rail		

[DOCUMENT E.—CONTINUED.]

Road Co.	210,000 00	
" Miss. Central R. R. Company	60,000 00	
" Levee Treasurer of Washington county	62 87	
" " " Coahoma "	2,244 80	
" " " Tunica "	1,250 16	
" Other purposes,	3 50	
		273,561 33
		86,978 58

[DOCUMENT F.]

Expenditures on acc't. Auditor's Contingent Fund, from January 1, 1857, *to October* 31, 1857.

DATE.	NO.	TO WHOM ISSUED.	FOR WHAT PURPOSE.	AMOUNT.
January 7, 1857	794	J. B. Morey,.....	Stationary.....	$16 75
12	819	James Smith.....	One Water Cooler.....	8 50
15	833	J. S. Sizer.....	Stationary.....	13 50
15	834	Jno. T. Hull.....	One Letter book for Auditor.....	3 50
16	842	C. A. Moore.....	Stationary.....	9 25
31	949	J. Shewalter.....	Sixty-four Cords of Wood.....	192 00
Feb'ry 14	1144	L. Julienne.....	Record Books, Stationary, &c.....	44 50
25	1161	L. Julienne.....	" "	135 00
April 25	1243	J. Shewalter.....	Forty Cords of Wood.....	120 00
29	1256	L. Julienne.....	Blanks, &c.....	7 00
29	1258	W. J. Brown.....	Candles, &c.....	21 20
August 8	307	L. Julienne.....	Blank Books, &c.....	61 00
27	347	C. A. Moore.....	Stationary.....	1623 90
Sept'r 9	366	L. Julienne.....	Reports, &c.....	19 50
18	383	L. Julienne.....	Executive Journal.....	30 00
October 6	405	A. Virden & Co.....	Candles, &c.....	33 25
30	460	C. A. Moore.....	Stationary.....	35 55
			Total.....	$2,374 40

[DOCUMENT G.]

Statement of the Two Per Cent. Fund.

Received on account of said Fund, as per Auditor's Leger, from 1848 Jan. 1 to 1852, (see pages 51 and 302,)		$20,765 28
do McAfee's Leger, page 76		5,413 36
		$26,178 64
To which add this amount to the credit of said fund, as per Auditor Matthews' Ledger B, page 129		288,331 77
		$314,510 41
DISBURSED.		
On ac't of said Fund, as per Auditor's Leger, from 1848 to Jan. 1, 1852, (see pages 51 and 302,	$218,991 81	
do see Russel's Leger, page 68	8,534 71	
do see McAfee's " " 76	5,413 36	
		$232,939 88
		$81,570 53

[DOCUMENT H.]

Statement of the Three Per Cent. Fund.

Received from U. States, February 3, 1855.....	$1,125 63
" " " December 31, 1855....	6,994 41
" " " October 31, 1857.....	98,858 51
	$106,978 55
DISBURSED	
To Balance charged to said fund, as per Ledger No. 3, page 49.....	2,233 20
	104,745 35
To which add the amount brought down to the credit of said fund on Auditor Matthews' Leger B, page 130.....	107,237 98
	$211,983 33

[DOCUMENT I.]

Showing the Condition of the Sinking Fund.

Balance to the credit of said fund, as per Auditor's Leger, and Report 1, January 1856.....		$56,528 37
Add Receipts in 1856, per Auditor's Report, 1st January, 1857.....		7,588 00
Add Receipts to the 31st October 1857.....		9,855 00
		$73,971 37
DISBURSED		
To 1st January, 1857.....	$1,875 00	
To 1st November, 1857.....	1,125 00	
		3,000 00
		$70,971 37
To which add the amount to the credit of said fund, as per Auditor Matthews' Leger B, page 127,		111,356 50
		$182,327 87

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OF

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REPORT.

MISSISSIPPI PENITENTIARY,
Clerk's Office, Nov. 10, 1857.

To His Excellency, John J. McRae,
Governor of the State of Mississippi:

SIR: I have the honor herewith to transmit the annual account current and reports of the Inspectors, Superintendent, Physician and Chaplain of this institution for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1857.

I have been at much trouble and labor in preparing the many and elaborate tables annexed, believing they would be of interest to the public.

Very Respectfully,
H. H. SMYTH, Clerk.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

MISSISSIPPI PENITENTIARY,
Superintendent's Office, Nov. 10, 1857.

To the Board of Inspectors—

Gentlemen: It again becomes my duty, in obedience to law, to submit to your honorable board, a written report of the transactions and condition of this institution from the 31st of November, 1856, to the 31st of October, 1857, inclusive. Heretofore the reports were made up, embracing an entire year, but, in this instance, in consequence of the changes made by the new revised code of the State, this report embraces but eleven months.

You will find upon an examination of the tables made up by Mr. Smyth, the Clerk of this institution, all the information in reference to the transactions of this institution.

In consequence of the late fire, which destroyed our cotton mill and its contents, many extraordinary duties have devolved upon me; a total disorganization of our accustomed routine of operations was the result, and the long and anxious investigations which we instituted, in order, if possible, to ascertain the cause, have all encroached upon the time which I specially intended to devote to this report. Therefore, I hope that the many disadvantages which I have labored under, will be a sufficient apology for the meagreness of this document. Notwithstanding the unusual

amount of labor I have necessarily had to perform, our report has been made at an earlier period than has been usual.

The profits of the institution, for the last year, has been much lessened, in consequence of the high price of provisions, &c. Raw cottons for the past year (except for the last few months) has ruled unusually high, and Lowels, which is the principal product of our Cotton Mill, has not, until recently, been at a corresponding price.

You have doubtless seen from the public prints, that many cotton mills, not only in this country, but Europe, discontinued their operations, and, in some instances, have sold their raw material. Such disparity in raw material and fabric as has been, always produces this result.

Soon after I took charge of this institution, I feared that we would not have a sufficient amount of water to answer our purposes through the ensuing summer and autumn; and in order to avoid the expense of hauling it, I had another pond refitted on the outside of the wall; and the advantage resulting from it was as expected. Some days before the Cotton Mill was consumed, we found that the pond which heretofore had been relied upon for a supply, had been exhausted. We then saw the advantage of our timely precaution. We, however, did not see the full advantage until the night of the destruction of our mill, most of our cisterns being full of water at that time, which would not have been the case, if we had relied upon the old arrangement for a supply.

In obedience to authority given to the Superintendent of this Institution by the Legislature, to purchase and put up, on the cotton mill, pipes in each room, for the purpose of warming it, I made a contract with Messrs. McLaurin, Slaughter & Co. for them. They had been delivered and extended from the boilers through the two lower rooms of the mill, at the time of its destruction. The remaining portion can be used for a similar purpose when we shall have erected new buildings. The portion which was attached to the building before the burning of the mill, we hope to be able to straighten and refit them for the same purpose.

The machinery in Cotton Mill was mainly constructed at Patterson, New Jersey, by Rogers, Ketchum & Grosvenor.

Mr. Jacob Rogers, President of Rogers' Machine and Locomotive Works, which is a continuation of the same establishment, is opportunely in our city. So soon as I heard that he was in our midst, I forthwith despatched a messenger to invite him to visit me at this establishment, and assist me in making an estimate of what was necessary, and the cost of each machine, which he has politely done, and for which I return him my thanks. The estimates have been handed to the Committee on the Penitentiary.

I would most respectfully and urgently urge, through you, upon

the Legislature, to make an appropriation large enough to construct a building of sufficient size to answer the purposes of the State for several years. The amount of machinery will doubtless be increased for several years to come, and economy demands that the building be sufficiently large.

You will perceive by reference to table marked D, that we have 105 convicts. I have recent orders from Circuit Judges that 8 others, in various parts of the State, have been sentenced to service in the Penitentiary. There are at present confined in the various county jails, awaiting their trial, about one hundred prisoners. I can confidently predict, however sad the reflection may be, that crime in our State is on the increase. You will also see by table marked D, that we have a great number of inmates sentenced to a long period of service—much longer than was formerly the case.

I therefore come to the conclusion, from much reflection on this subject, that it is the true policy of the State to make ample arrangements for the profitable employment of the unfortunate inmates of this institution.

Two years since the Legislature deduced the salary of the Clerk to $700. The salary is not sufficient to justify a competent clerk to devote his entire time to the business of the institution. I would therefore, most respectfully, recommend to you the propriety of increasing his salary. If the Legislature should make approriations for the purpose of reconstructing the Cotton Mill, I will be necessarily compelled to devote my whole energy to that purpose, and probably will be absent from the institution much of my time. It is therefore indispensable that the Clerk should be in the office during busines hours; and to secure his entire efforts for the benefit of the State, it is certainly desiable that he should feel that he receives a sufficient remuneration.

At the last Session of the Legislature, an approproation was made of $6,000 to rebuild the front building of the Penitentiary. On the 27th day of May, I employed Capt. D. Daly to superintend the erection of it. It is nearly completed. We will be able to save a small amount of the appropriation.

There has been but one death during the past year.

For the moral and religious condition of the inmates of the prison, I refer you to the Report of Rev. Mr. Ozanne, our worthy Chaplain.

To the report of the Physician, I refer you for information as to the health of the prisoners for the past year.

In conclusion, I most respectfully invite your presence at the prison as often as you may deem that your counsel would be of advantage to the Institution.

I am, Gentlemen, yours respectfully,

A. M. HARDIN,

Superintendent Penitentiary.

INSPECTORS' REPORT.

INSPECTORS' OFFICE,
November, 10, 1857.

To His Excellency, John J. McRae,
Governor of the State of Mississippi:

SIR:—In accordance with law, we herewith submit the annual report of the Board of Inspectors of the Mississippi Penitentiary.

Documents A, B, C, D, &c., will show the amount received and disbursed—a complete list of the prisoners—the number admitted, died, &c.—the whole number of convicts admitted since the organization of the Institution—the number pardoned in each year, and other tables of much interest.

It will be seen that there are now in the prison, one hundred and five convicts—being an increase of ten since our last report.

We respectfully refer you to the reports of the Physician and Chaplain, as to the health and morals of the prisoners.

The internal police of the prison is such, that whilst it produces a just and laudable spirit of subordination, is not marked by that unnecessary rigor which often defeats the objects aimed at.

An appropriation of six thousand dollars was made by the last session of the Legislature, for repairing the front building of the Penitentiary; most of which has been applied to that object. The building is now well nigh completed. The roof is of slate, and so far proves to be water proof. Thus, the front building, so long an annoyance to Penitentiary committees and officers of the Institution, is not only repaired in the most ample and substantial manner, but presents to the view a pleasing and handsome exterior. The two large north-western rooms of the building have been appropriated, and are now being fitted up, at slight expense, the lower for a chapel, and the upper for hospital purposes, objects so long desired; and at the same time saving the ground within the walls, as well as the cost of erecting separate buildings.

The first artesian well commenced within the prison walls was abandoned after going to the depth of near four hundred feet, by the advice of Mr. Murray, the present superintendent of the work, in whose judgment and capacity, as a well borer, we have implicit confidence. The tubing with which the first well was commenced, Mr. Murray believed too small for the depth we would most probably have to go before accomplishing the desired object.

The present well is now some two hundred and fifty feet deep, and progressing with every prospect of final success.

The circumstances connected with the burning of the cotton and wool factory, on the 1st inst., as far as could be ascertained, has already been made the object of a special report; and though much to be regretted, yet it may be remarked that the building was originally intended for a wood shop, and much of the machinery destroyed, was old and much worn. The positive advantages of a new establishment, both as to building aad machinery, on a scale sufficiently large to employ every convict which could be spared from the ordinary affairs of the prison, is so apparent, will, it is hoped, induce the Legislature to make an ample appropriation to that end. And while it would enable the Penitentiary to produce fabrics equal to any that could be brought to this market, would not only keep out foreign competition, as far as we may be able to produce them, but have its influence on private capital, to engage in the enterprise of manufacturing.

You are respectfully referred to the report of the Superintendent, and the numerous and complete statistical tables made out by the clerk, for particulars. They show the institution to be in as prosperous a condition as could be expected during a period of depression in the manufacturing business, causing short work in that department of labor, in many parts of the country.

In conclusion we request your particular attention to the suggestion of the Superintendent, in regard to the salary of the clerk, which we think should be increased.

Respectfully your obedient servants,

J. C. NAPIER,
C. H. MANSHIP,
THOMAS GRAVES,
Inspectors.

CHAPLAINS' REPORT

JACKSON, MISS., NOV. 10, 1857.

To the Board of Inspectors of the State Penitentiary:

The undersigned, in presenting his report, begs leave to state that he has performed the duties of chaplain for the greater part of the past year, (previous to, as well as since his election in June last,) and is therefore prepared to give an account of his labors from the date of the last report. Whilst the many among the convicts listen to the preaching of the word of life, without any perceptable change in their life and conversation, the few who have before made a profession of their faith in Christ, together with those who have since joined them, seem to be striving, amidst many discouragements, to live answerably to their profession. Regular services have been performed in the prisonevery Sabbath. The prisoners have been visited in their cells, in sickness and in health. Books and tracts have been distributed among them—Bibles supplied to those who needed them; so that by every available means the gospel might be brought to bear upon their minds and hearts. Few can fully estimate the importonce of the preached word to the inmates of a prison. To many it appears a profitless task, because the fruits of our labors are like the gleaning of the fields when the harvest is over. But the message of mercy is brought to them, it speaks of a full and free pardon of sin to all who will flee for refuge to Christ—it lifts degraded and sinful beings from the dust, bids them hope. It addresses itself to the hardened reprobate, and gives him an opportunity to repent and turn to God.—Only one death has occurred since the giving in of the last report.

Respectfully,

THOMAS D. OZANNE.

PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

JACKSON, MISS., NOV. 9, 1857.

GENTLEMEN: In accordance with custom and your wishes, I submit the following report:—On the 8th day of last December, in my report I recommended the erection of a hospital, in which, the sick of the prison could be better attended and sooner relieved than in their cells. Up to this time its wants have not been re-

verely felt, yet I could have done better with it. I have nothing further to recommend, because this improvement is all I desire in my department. Almost all the old cases that I found in the Penitentiary, when I was elected as its Physician, have been cured.

There are two cases which I consider beyond the reach of medicine. One is a case of paralysis, the other is a case of Amaurosis, in which there is but very little vision, yet sufficient for all practical purposes as a laborer in the prison. Scurvey, one of the most troublesome and disagreeable diseases connected with prison practice, has not existed in the penitentiary since my last report, and which, is owing to the character of the food given the inmates.

The principal diseases I have had to treat, since last reporting to you, has been first epidemic dysentary and Intermittent fever, latterly epidemic influenza. The number of cases, which I have kept an account of, has amounted to 217, since the first of last April. Several prisoners have been under almost constant treatment during the whole of this time. There has been successfully treated three cases of fistula in ano. There has also been several cases of secondary tertiary Syphalis under treatment, and are now apparently cured. Besides, there has been some four or five scrofulous cases under treatment, and are at present releived. Since the 16th day of October, almost the only disease has been epidemic influenza. There is now a case of pneumonia,—the first case I have found in the prison since my appointment. This concludes the imperfect history of diseases since last April, which have been attended by me. I was absent about six weeks last spring, and have no list of the cases which occurred during that time. There has been one death since the last report. He had been sick for a a long time, and was recovering so slowly that I recomended that he be allowed the privilege of walking about the prison enclosure. This was permitted. He attempted making his escape, and succeeded in dragging a ladder to the wall, and in reaching the top, but was too weak to drag the ladder up after him, and consequently rolled off on the outside. The fall so injured him, that he soon died from its effects. You will readily perceive that the ordinary labors of the physician are considerable, fron the character of the prisoners. They are generally men of bad habits, and consequently contract diseases, the effects of which lasts a long time, and have to be treated after their confinement, and in some rare instances, complete recovery is impossible.

Very respectfully, your ob't servant,

M. W. BOYD.

To Messrs. Napier, Manship and Graves,
Inspectors.

[DOCUMENT A.]

Dr. *A. M. Hardin, Sup't Mississippi Penitentiary, in account*

1856			
Dec. 1	To cash on hand this day.....		$13,674 35
"	To amount received this month.	$872 25	
1857			
Jan'y	" " "	957 32	
Feb'y	" " "	1515 16	
March	" " "	1852 15	
April	" " "	1279 88	
May	" " "	1327 78	
June	" " "	1483 16	
July	" " "	3292 79	
August	" " "	3479 00	
Sept'r	" " "	1496 95	
Oct.	" " "	9591 60	$27,147 91
			$40,822 26

MISSISSIPPI PENITENTIARY,
November 3, 1857.

[DOCUMENT A—Continued.]

with the State of Miss. from Dec. 1, '56 to Oct. 31, '57, inclusive. Cr.

1856			
Dec.	By am't disbursed this month.	$6194 10	
"	" paid into State Treasury.		$8352 50
1857			
Jan'y	" disbursed this month.	695 85	
"	" paid into State Treasury.		261 47
Feb'y	" disbursed this month.	1430 81	
"	" paid into State Treasury.		84 35
March	" disbursed this month.	1084 14	
April	" " "	1750 39	
May	" " "	1148 53	
June	" " "	1865 13	
July	" " "	2927 14	
August	" " "	2587 54	
Sept'r	" " "	1170 70	
Oct.	" " "	9869 30	$30,723 83
			$39,422 15
	Cash on hand this day.....		1400 11
			$40,822 26

E. E. H. H. SMYTH, CLERK.

[DOCUMENT B.]

STATEMENT, showing the receipts and disbursements of the

To amount received for sale in cotton and wool factory,	$25,052 90
" " " Wood Shop.....	1654 68
" " " Shoe Shop.....	195 89
	$26,903 47

MISSISSIPPI PENITENTIARY,
November 3, 1857.

[DOCUMENT B—Continued.]

Mississippi Penitentiary, from Dec. 1, '56, to Oct. 31, '57, inclusive.

By amount paid out on account of			Factory.....	$14,823 33
"	"	"	Provisions	5630 72
"	"	"	Forage and Fuel..	2679 96
"	"	"	Convey'g convicts.	1689 08
"	"	"	Contingent	1490 17
"	"	"	Disch'd convicts...	335 00
"	"	"	Freight & hauling,	390 63
"	"	"	Artesian Well....	702 01
"	"	"	Wood Shop.....	594 89
"	"	"	Smith Shop.....	63 40
"	"	"	Shoe Shop.....	456 02
"	"	"	Oil and Lights....	309 62
"	"	"	Machinery.....	82 13
"	"	"	Officer's Salaries..	350 00
"	"	"	Guard's Salaries..	284 00
"	"	"	Convict's Clothing,	7 25
"	"	"	Hospital	2 50
"	"	"	Lunatic Asylum...	109 83
				$30,000 54

H. H. SMYTH, Clerk.

[DOCUMENT C.]

The State of Mississippi to Penitentiary *Dr.*

1856 Dec.	To this amount deposited in Treasury, as per Voucher, No. 293		$8352 50
1857 Jan'y	To this amount deposited in Treasury, as per Voucher, No. 338		261 47
Feb'y	To this amount deposited in Treasury, as per Voucher, No. 391		84 35
	To this amount paid Officers and Guards' Salaries		8796 33
	To this amount paid J. W. Robinson & Co. for 163 bales cotton		8321 27
			$25,815 92
	CONTRA.		
	By this amount drawn from Treasury on cotton account of J. W. Robinson & Co.	$8321 27	
	By this amount drawn from Treasury, on account of Salaries of Officers and Guards	8796 33	$17,117 60
	Balance		$8698 32

[DOCUMENT D.]

STATEMENT, showing the number of convicts in the

No.	NAMES.	AGE.	CRIME	COUNTY FROM.
1	Newton Williams,	23	Forgery,	Hinds,
2	William Howell,	25	Grand Larceny,	Warren,
3	James H. Dyson,	43	Manslaughter,	High Court,
4	H. C. Goff,	29	Negro Stealing,	Harrison,
5	James B. Tarver,	38	Larceny,	Rankin,
6	William Duke,	22	Negro Stealing,	Monroe,
7	G. W. Hollingsworth,	25	Larceny,	Scott,
8	W. H. Barnes,	17	Larceny,	DeSoto,
9	Samuel Williams,	27	Manslaughter,	Tippah,
10	John B. Craig,	40	Negro Stealing,	Tishemingo,
11	John Doty,	24	Larceny,	Winston,
12	James Sawyer,	27	Perjury,	Marshall,
13	Mathew Conklin,	21	Assault to kill,	Warren,
14	Madison Organ,	40	Assault to kill,	Rankin,
15	John A. Tanger,	27	Larceny,	Marshall,
16	W. H. Thomas,	28	Larceny,	Desoto,
17	Jno. Hunt, (alias "Deer")	31	Negro Stealing,	Adams,
18	Daniel Howell,	45	Negro Stealing,	Sunflower,
19	Samuel Carpenter,	23	Manslaughter,	Yazoo,
20	Robert Jones,	30	Manslaughter,	Pontotoc,
21	William Haynes,	23	Larceny,	Adams,
22	Isaac Toumay,	35	Rape,	Claiborne,
23	Geo. S. Crittenden,	39	Larceny,	DeSoto,
24	W. A. J. Glidewell,	18	Attempt at rape,	Yalobusha,
25	J. P. Birdsong,	58	Attempt at rape,	Yalobusha,
26	Moses Ivy,	26	Assault to kill,	Neshoba,
27	Thomas Bright,	21	Larceny,	Rankin,
28	William Shaw,	50	Larceny,	Wayne,
29	R. L. Allen,	25	Bigamy,	Lafayette,
30	V. Beigler,	27	Larceny,	Adams,
31	Henry Hudgeons,	48	Larceny,	Adams,
32	S. F. Hague,	20	Manslaughter,	Choctaw,
33	Michael Long,	26	Negro Stealing,	Warren,
34	Wilson Turner,	23	Manslaughter,	Yazoo,
35	Elizabeth Williams,	26	At'pt to poison,	Pike,
36	Jacob Edwards,	55	Attempt at rape,	Lauderdale,

DOCUMENT D.—Continued.

Mississippi State Penitentiary, October 31, 1866.

DATE OF ADMISSION	EXPIRATION OF SENTENCE.	PLACE OF BIRTH.	[illegible]
April 5, 1856,	April 2, 1866	Mississippi,	No trade,
Jan'y 23, 1856,	Jany 15, 1868	Pennsylvania,	No trade,
Feb. 22, 1853.	Feb 22, 1868	South Carolina,	No trade,
April 30, 1854	April 1, 1864	New York,	Machinist,
June 4, 1855	June 1, 1858	Georgia,	No trade,
April 15, 1856	April 2, 1866	Alabama,	No trade,
May 28, 1854	May 19, 1858	Mississippi,	No trade,
June 26, 1355	June 26, 1859	Kentucky,	No trade,
April 18, 1853	March 16, 1861	Alabama,	No trade,
April 21, 1852	March 19, 1862	Pennsylvania,	Millwright,
Sep 28, 1854	March 7, 1859	Georgia,	No trade,
Feb 19, 1853	Feb 7, 1859	Alabama,	No trade,
Feb 5, 1856	Jan 22, 1866	New York,	Cloth [illegible]
Feb 17, 1855	Feb 11, 1859	Virginia,	No trade,
Feb 7, 1855	Jan 20, 1859	Alabama,	No trade,
June 26, 1856	June 26, 1859		Tailor,
May 25, 1852	May 14, 1864	Mississippi,	No trade,
July 7, 1856	April 30, 1866	North Carolina,	No trade,
Dec 5. 1850	Nov 29, 1865	Mississippi,	No trade,
Nov 21, 1855	Nov 21, 1862	North Carolina,	No trade,
Nov 22, 1854	Nov 18, 1857	Ohio,	No trade,
Oct 18, 1849	Oct 8, 1861	Kentucky,	Chairmaker,
Dec 19, 1855	Dec 19, 1860	Virginia,	Shoemaker,
Dec 7, 1855	Nov 24, 1858	Alabama,	Upholstery,
Dec 7, 1855	Nov 24, 1860	South Carolina,	No trade,
Nov 27, 1853	Sep 20, 1858	Alabama,	Farmer,
Feb 17, 1855	Nov 11, 1863	Mississippi,	No trade,
May 20, 1856	April 20, 1858	Europe,	No trade,
Nov 13, 1856	Nov 13, 1861,	North Carolina.	No trade,
Nov 27, 1854	Nov 18, 1857	Austria,	Farmer,
May 26, 1856	May 17, 1858	North Carolina,	Shoemaker,
Jan 5. 1856	Dec 22, 1875	South Carolina,	Carpenter,
May 7, 1849	May 4, 1859	Ireland,	No trade,
Dec 22, 1855	Dec 22, 1860	Pennsylvania,	No trade,
Sep 22, 1856	Sep 11, 1866	South Carolina,	No trade,
Nov. 19, 1856	Nov 6, 1861,	Georgia,	Farmer,

[DOCUMENT D.—Continued.]

STATEMENT *showing the number of Convicts in the*

No.	NAMES.	AGE.	CRIME.	COUNTY FROM.
37	A. J. Perjoy,	26	Grand Larceny,	Carroll,
38	Thomas Brown,	30	Larceny,	Warren,
39	James Harris,	38	Assault to kill,	Adams,
40	William F. Jones,	43	Larceny,	Holmes,
41	William Wallace,	45	Assault to kill,	Carroll,
42	Ho-ah-tum-be,	30	Manslaughter,	Leake,
43	Joseph Conley,	24	Grand Larceny,	Adams,
44	J. S. Webb,	40	Burg'y&larceny	Adams,
45	James Booth,	39	Larceny,	Warren,
46	John Moore,	32	Larceny,	Desoto,
47	F. Stupton,	59	Manslaughter,	Hancock,
48	H. Conway, (f. m. c.)	52	Grand Larceny,	Adams,
49	James H. Ellison, (f. m. c.)	22	Larceny,	Winston,
50	Jean Gounet,	22	Larceny,	Harrison,
51	James Dunn,	23	Robbery,	Warren,
52	John Murray,	23	Robbery,	Warren,
53	Edward Jones,	25	Larceny,	Adams,
54	John Turner,	22	Larceny,	Warren,
55	William McCay,	44	Larceny,	Adams,
56	Simeon Macklin,	33	Shooting to kill,	Issaquena,
57	W. J. Hill,	31	Manslaughter,	Warren,
58	Henry Hughes,	29	Larceny,	Warren,
59	Kenchratchot Isinerme,	25	Larceny,	Warren,
60	James Kelly,	17	Larceny,	Warren,
61	William Stephens,	28	Larceny,	Wilkinson,
62	Joseph Baker,	27	Attempt at rape	Perry,
63	John Lynch,	28	Manslaughter,	Yazoo,
64	James Burns,	28	Burglary,	Holmes,
65	Wm. T. Smith,	70	Manslaughter,	Tippah,
66	Green Smith,	21	Manslaughter,	Tippah,
67	R. T. Roan,	29	Larceny,	Chickasaw,
68	George Walker,	25	Larceny,	Warren,
69	Thomas Jones,	25	Larceny,	Warren,
70	John Cotton,	26	Manslaughter,	Yazoo,
71	Nathaniel A. Magee,	27	Arson,	DeSoto,
72	Jesse Webster,	37	P'ing c't money,	Monroe,

[DOCUMENT D—Continued.]

Mississippi State Penitentiary, October 30, 1857.

DATE OF ADMISSION.	EXPIRATION OF SENTENCE.	PLACE OF BIRTH	OCCUPATION WHEN COMMITTED.
July 2, 1854	June 16, 1858	Canada.	Painter,
Jan 23, 1856,	Jan 18, 1861	Mississippi,	Sailor,
June 8, 1855,	May 19, 1865	Canada,	No trade,
Nov 26, 1853	Sept 21, 1858	Georgia,	Blacksmith,
Dec 15, 1853	Dec 15, 1858		Shoemaker,
April 25, 1855	April 1, 1859	Mississippi,	No trade,
May 26, 1856	May 17, 1858	Ireland,	Blacksmith,
May 22, 1854	May 13, 1859	Ohio,	No trade,
Jan 26, 1856	Jan 22, 1860	England,	Coalite [illegible],
Dec 20, 1852	Dec 20, 1857	New Jersey,	Ropemaker,
Oct 23, 1850	Oct 14, 1860	Poland,	No trade,
May 22, 1854	May 13, 1859	Mississippi,	Blacksmith,
March 20, 1855	March 10, 1860	North Carolina,	Blacksmith,
Aug 18, 1855	July 24, 1858	France,	Baker,
June 5, 1854	June 1, 1864	Ireland,	No trade,
June 5, 1854	June 1, 1864	Ireland,	No trade,
May 26, 1856	May 17, 1858	Kentucky,	No trade,
Feb 5, 1856	Jan 31, 1864	Ohio,	No trade,
Feb 8, 1856	Jan 26, 1858	New York,	Tailor,
May 31, 1856	May 12, 1866	Tennessee,	No trade,
June 5, 1854	May 30, 1861	South Carolina,	Carpenter,
June 5, 1856	June 2, 1861	Kentucky,	No trade,
June 5, 1856	May 31, 1861	Germany,	Shoemaker,
June 5, 1856	June 2, 1861	Mississippi,	No trade,
July 2, 1856	June 18, 1858	New York,	Turner,
May 25, 1853	May 12, 1858	Mississippi,	No trade,
July 5, 1856	June 28, 1876	New York,	Brickmaker,
July 7, 1856	May 20, 1858	Ireland,	Shoemaker,
Oct 8, 1856	Sep 18, 1906	Pennsylvania,	Shoemaker,
Oct 8, 1856	Oct 8, 1871	Georgia,	Carpenter,
Dec 8, 1856	Nov 15, 1860	Tennessee,	Sadler,
Dec 25, 1856	Dec 18, 1860	Wisconsin,	No trade,
Dec 25, 1856	Dec 18, 1861	Ireland,	No trade,
Dec 25, 1856	Dec 19, 1906	Mississippi,	No trade,
Feb 16, 1857	Feb 16, 1867	Tennessee,	Overseer,
Feb 16, 1857	Dec 23, 1859	North Carolina,	Farmer,

DOCUMENT D.—Continued.]

[illegible], *showing the number of convicts in the*

NAMES.	AGE.	CRIME.	COUNTY FROM.
[illegible]	31	Manslaughter,	Madison,
[illegible]	68	Negro Stealing,	Madison,
[illegible]	26	Burg'y&larceny	Smith,
[illegible]	28	Murder,	Adams,
[illegible]	45	Manslaughter,	Neshoba,
[illegible]	30	P'ing c't money,	Tunica,
[illegible]	38	Manslaughter,	Marshall,
[illegible]	29	Negro stealing,	Marshall,
[illegible]	19	Larceny,	Perry,
[illegible]	20	Larceny,	Wayne,
[illegible]	27	Larceny,	Coahoma,
[illegible]	17	Larceny,	Holmes,
[illegible]	35	Manslaughter,	Adams,
[illegible]	52	Larceny,	Adams,
[illegible]	56	Larceny,	Adams,
[illegible]	18	Larceny,	Lawrence,
[illegible]	20	Larceny,	Lawrence,
[illegible]	30	Manslaughter,	Amite,
[illegible]	25	Assault to rape,	DeSoto,
[illegible]	41	Negro stealing,	Panola,
[illegible]	27	Grand Larceny,	Warren,
[illegible]	19	Larceny,	Warren,
[illegible]	30	Larceny,	Warren,
[illegible]	29	Larceny,	Monroe,
[illegible]	28	Negro stealing,	Madison,
[illegible]	38	Larceny,	Lauderdale,
[illegible]	23	Larceny,	Attala,
[illegible]	28	Burglary,	Itawamba,
[illegible]	18	Negro stealing,	Marshall,
[illegible]	27	Larceny,	Tippah,
[illegible]	17	Burglary,	Itawamba,
[illegible]	21	Assault to kill,	Tishomingo,
[illegible]	39	Larceny,	[illegible]

[illegible] PENITENTIARY,
[illegible] 3, 1857.

[DOCUMENT D.—Continued.]

Mississippi State Penitentiary, October 31, 1857:

DATE OF ADMISSION	EXPIRATION OF SENTENCE.	PLACE OF BIRTH.	OCCUPATION WHEN COMMITTED.
Feb 17, 1857,	Feb 12, 1864	Georgia,	Farmer,
Feb 17, 1857,	Feb 17, 1872	South Carolina,	Farmer,
March 11, 1857	March 11 1861	Tennessee,	Carpenter,
March 13, 1857	For life,	Ireland,	Laborer,
March 26, 1857	March 10 186[illegible]	Mississippi,	Hunter,
April 21, 1857	April 15, 1877	Virginia,	Shoemaker,
April 21, 1857	April 21, 1860	North Carolina,	Farmer,
April 21, 1857	April 21, 1882	Missouri,	Overseer,
Mar. 26,	Mar. 12, 1866	Mississippi	Farmer,
April 26,	April 21, 1861	Mississippi,	Farmer,
May 11,	22, 1862	Tennessee,	Farmer,
23,	May 9, 1859	Alabama,	Farmer,
June, 5,	20, 1862	Kentucky,	Pilot,
5,	16, 1859	Kentucky,	Laborer,
5,	16, 1867	Ireland,	Laborer,
10,	24, 1862	Georgia,	Farmer,
10,	28, 1861	Georgia,	Farmer,
21,	30, 1858	Mississippi,	No Trade,
22,	June 22, 1860	Pennsylvania,	Bricklayer,
22,	22, 1862	South Carolina,	Farmer,
27,	22, 1862	Florida,	Factory Operator,
27,	22, 1862	Indiana,	Cook,
27,	22, 1862	Kentucky,	Coppersmith,
July 26,	11, 1859	Maryland,	Stone-cutter,
20,	20, 1867	North Carolina,	Farmer,
Sept. 10,	July 10, 1860	Georgia,	Farmer,
Oct. 8,	Oct. 8, 1859	Mississippi,	Farmer.
26,	10, 1872	Alabama,	Carpenter,
26,	25, 1867	Pennsylvania,	Painter,
26,	13, 1859	North Carolina,	Farmer,
26,	10, 1867	Alabama,	Laborer,
26,	8, 1864	Tennessee,	Weaver,
26,	3, 1860	Ireland,	Sailor,

H. H. SMYTH, Clerk.

[DOCUMENT E.]

List of Conpicts Discharged, Pardoned, &c., from

Nos.	NAMES.	AGE.	CRIMES.	COUNTY WHERE CONDEMNED	DATE OF ADMISSION.
81	John Randolph	20	Larceny	Warren	Feb. 5, '56
1	Simpson Wilson	30	Manslaughter	Leake	April 25, '55
64	Leonidas Sprevin	22	Grand Larceny	Yazoo	Dec. 15, '54
7	W. G. Huckabee	42	Larceny	Suuflower	Nov. 10, '55
79	John Rhyne	26	Larceny	Warren	Jan. 26, '54
71	Barney Flanagan	34	Larceny	Warren	Dec. 22, '54
4	Reuben Thornhill	35	Larceny	Clarke	April 10, '56
53	Alex. McCarty	26	Manslaughter	H.C.E.&A.	April 3, '54
38	Jno. G. F. Ayres	45	Manslaughter	Tishomingo	April 17, '55
29	Geo. Jordan	26	Negro Stealing	Lawrence	Nov. 11, '51
22	William Russell	20	Grand Larceny	Adams	Jan. 30, '52
55	Isaac Timms	20	Arson	Itawamba	May 3, '52
6	Clinton Terrell	23	Negro Stealing	Lawrence	Nov. 15, '53
34	Joseph Johnson	22	Manslaughter	Hinds	Oct. 6, '51
33	J. B. Curry	28	Mail Robbery	U. S. Court	Dec. 16, '48
35	H. A. J. Spiars	40	Murder	Franklin	June 8, '55
20	John M. Tate	22	Larceny	Monroe	May 16, '54
41	John M. Harris	24	Assault to kill	Warren	Feb. 5, '56
90	William Egness	25	Larceny	Warren	June 5, '54
66	Thomas Ronen	36	Rec'g st'l'n g'ds	Adams	June 8, '55
91	F. Munson	21	Larceny	Warren	June 5, '54
59	Geo. Wiggins	32	Manslaughter	Holmes	June 17, '50
24	John A. Marsh	26	Manslaughter	Warren	April 17, '56
89	Gerge Brooks	26	Grand Larceny	Copiah	June 26, '53
74	Wesley Cherry	33	Larceny	Winston	Sept. 27, '56
28	Joseph Price	39	Assault to kill	Frenklin	Oct. 23, '56
15	John Jones	30	Attempt at rape	Hancock	April 10, '56

[DOCUMENT E.—Continued.]

December 1st, 1856, to October 31st, 1857, inclusive.

EXPIRATION OF SENTENCE.	PLACE OF BIRTH.	REMARKS.
Feb. 5, '61	New Jersey	Died Dec. 1st, 1856.
April 1, '57	Alabama	Pardoned Dec. 6, 1856.
Dec. 9, '56	South Carolina	" " " "
Oct. 23, '57	North Carolina	" " 10, "
Jan. 21, '60	North Carolina	" " 8, "
Dec. 12, '56	Ireland	Disch'd by expiration of sentence.
April 18, '58	South Carolina	Pardoned Dec. 20, 1856.
Jan. 23, '79	Mississippi	" " 26, "
March 28, '59	Tennessee	" " 27, "
Nov. 1, '66	Georgia	" Jan. 15, 1857.
Jan. 24, '57	Ohio	Disch'd by expiration of sentence.
April 16, '58	South Carolina	Pardoned Feb. 7, 1857.
Oct. – '63	Mississippi	" " 20, "
Oct. 4, '61	Georgia	" " 25, "
Dec. 6, '58	Tennessee	" " 12, "
May 14, '67	Mississippi	" March 13, "
April 7, '57	Georgia	Disch'd by expiration of sentence.
Jan. 25, '66	Illinois	Pardoned April 8, 1857.
May 18, '57	Pennsylvania	Disch'd by expiration of sentence.
May 19, '57	Ireland	" " "
May 19, '57	Ohio	" " "
June 13, '57	Germany	" " "
April 28, '63	Mississippi	Pardoned June 23, 1857.
June 16, '58	Germany	Escaped June 10, 1857.
Sept. 19, '58	Tennessee	Escaped March 30, 1857.
Sept. 24, '61	Mississippi	Pardoned Oct. 27, 1857.
April 10, '58	Maine	Escaped Oct 30, 1857.

H. H. SMYTH, Clerk.

Mississippi Penitentiary,
November 3, 1856.

[DOCUMENT F.]

INVENTORY of Stock, Tools, and other property on hand at the Mississippi Penitentiary, Oct. 31, 1857, as enumerated and recorded in retail in the Inventory Book of the Institution, viz:

Manufactured articles in Wood Shop..	$974 00	
Tools " " "	424 10	$1,398 10
Stock in Blacksmith Shop.....	300 52	
Tools " "	479 85	780 37
Prison, Kitchen, and Washhouse Furniture.....		1,546 00
Provisions and Stores on hand.....		81 10
Office Furniture.....		211 50
Two Colt's Repeaters.....		50 00
Manufac'd articles on hand, consisting of Lowels, Linseys, Cotton, Cotton Yarn, Mattrasses, Wool, &c., &c., as per Invoice Book.....	13,300 00	
Amount in hands of Agents.....	11,609 26	24,909 26
Stoc in Apothecary's Shop.....		300 00
Tools in Factory.....		56 00
Machinery, Engine, and Corn Mill....		33,460 00
Tools at Artesian Well.....		1,546 00
Stock on hand in Yard.....		1,657 00
Total amount.....		$65,995 33

A. M. HARDIN, Sup't.

Attest:
H. H SMYTH, Clerk.

[DOCUMENT G.]

The State of Mississippi in account with the State Penitentiary, from Dec. 1st, 1856, to Oct. 31st, 1857, inclusive.

To	Work done in Wood Shop, for State, as per Wood Shop Book	$2,123 38
"	Work done in Blacksmith Shop, for State, as per Blacksmith Shop Book	875 62
"	Making Mattrasses, Pillows, Towels, &c., for convicts, as per account rendered (material furnished)	448 06
"	Shoes, Shirts, Coats, Hats, &c., furnished convicts, as per Book of Shoe Shop	531 37
"	2,007 bushels Corn and Corn Meal	2,007 00
"	White-washing 114 cells	325 00
"	Services of two convicts at Artesian Well, for 150 days, at $1 per day each	300 00
"	Brickwork &c. done on front building, gutters and cisterns	790 00
"	2,000 yards of Lowells, for baling goods, at 12c.	240 00
		$7,315 43

Submitted as a part of the transactions of the Penitentiary, from Dec. 1, 1856, to Oct. 31, 1857.

A. M. HARDIN, Superintendent.

Attest:

H. H. SMYTH, Clerk.

[DOCUMENT H.]

TABLE, showing the receipts and disbursements on acc't of each

COTTON FACTORY.

Dr.		
1856		
Dec.	Received this month	$653 60
1857		
Jan'y	" "	807 42
Feb'y	" "	1330 92
March	" "	1585 47
April	" "	1138 51
May	" "	1068 71
June	" "	1279 83
July	" "	3115 71
August	" "	3341 27
Sept.	" "	1384 43
Oct.	" "	9347 03

WOOD SHOP.

Dr.		
1856		
Dec.	Received this month	$175 85
1857		
Jan'y	" "	148 05
Feb'y	" "	184 24
March	" "	241 93
April	" "	118 07
May	" "	244 08
June	" "	162 58
July	" "	168 48
August	" "	123 03
Sept.	" "	88 37
Oct.	" "	188 37

Department, from Dec. 1, 1856, *to Oct.* 31, 1857, *inclusive.*

COTTON FACTORY.		Cr.
1856		
Dec.	Disbursed this month	$4360 93
1857		
Jan'y	" "	24 17
Feb'y	" "	74 15
March	" "	335 98
April	" "	564 18
May	" "	196 70
June	" "	69 47
July	" "	2014 09
August	" "	2159 27
Sept.	" "	858 88
Oct.	" "	4165 41

WOOD SHOP.		Cr.
1856		
Dec.	Disbursed this month	$242 64
1857		
Jan'y	" "	00 06
Feb'y	" "	86 05
March	" "	36 00
April	" "	44 89
May	" "	37 27
June	" "	18 45
July	" "	00 00
August	" "	109 89
Sept.	" "	4 45
Oct.	" "	15 25

Dr. SHOE SHOP.

1856		
Dec.	Received this month.....	$42 80
1857		
Jan.	" "	1 85
Feb'y.	" "	00 00
March	" "	24 75
April	" "	23 30
May	" "	14 99
June	" "	40 75
July	" "	8 60
August	" "	14 70
Sept.	" "	24 15
Oct.	" "	56 20

[DOCUMENT H.—Continued.]

SHOE SHOP.

Cr.

1856 Dec.	Disbursed this month	$189 85
1857 Jan.	" "	68 37
Feb'y	" "	00 00
March	" "	00 00
April	" "	28 35
May	" "	00 00
June	" "	154 05
July	" "	00 00
August	" "	00 00
Sept.	" "	00 00
Oct.	" "	15 40

CONTINGENT ACCOUNT. Cr.

1856		
Dec.	By amount disbursed this month	72 60
1857		
Jan.	" " "	261 70
Feb.	" " "	55 45
Mar.	" " "	51 80
Apr.	" " "	36 55
May	" " "	293 84
June	" " "	116 66
July	" " "	99 33
Aug.	" " "	208 00
Sept.	" " "	57 40
Oct.	" " "	236 84

PROVISION ACCOUNT. Cr.

1846		
Dec.	By amount disbursed this month	$170 30
1857	" " "	
Jan.	" " "	1 95
Feb.	" " "	106 40
Mar.	" " "	249 15
April	" " "	210 29
May	" " "	211 89
June	" " "	744 54
July	" " "	537 61
Aug.	" " "	38 30
Sept.	" " "	104 85
Oct.	" " "	3255 44

[DOCUMENT H. CONTINUED.]

FORAGE AND FUEL.

1856		
Dec.	By amount disbursed this month	230 29
1857	" " "	
Jan.	" " "	97 25
Feb.	" " "	228 76
Mar.	" " "	196 74
April	" " "	411 99
May	" " "	182 01
June	" " "	412 96
July	" " "	173 36
Aug.	" " "	61 68
Sept.	" " "	23 72
Oct.	" " "	61 20
	" " "	

FREIGHT AND HAULING.

1856		
Dec.	By amount disbursed this month.	4 50
1857	" " "	
Jan.	" " "	23 95
Feb.	" " "	18 60
Mar.	" " "	18 12
April	" " "	76 74
May	" " "	66 72
June	" " "	61 10
July	" " "	23 25
Aug	" " "	10 40
Sept.	" " "	62 90
Oct.	" " "	24 35

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DISCHARGED CONVICTS' ACCOUNT.

		Cr.
1856		
Dec.	By amount disbursed this month.....	$110 00
1857		
Jan'y	" " "	30 00
Feb'y	" " "	60 00
March	" " "	15 00
April	" " "	30 00
May	" " "	45 00
June	" " "	30 00
July	" " "	00 00
August	" " "	00 00
Sept.	" " "	00 00
Oct.	" " "	15 00

ARTESIAN WELL.

		Cr.
1856		
Dec.	By amount disbursed this month.....	$37 00
1857		
Jan'y	" " "	00 00
Feb'y	" " "	99 70
March	" " "	5 00
April	" " "	00 00
May	" " "	5 00
June	" " "	10 05
July	" " "	75 00
August	" " "	00 31
Sept.	" " "	00 00
Oct.	" " "	637 0

[DOCUMENT H.—Continued.]

CONVEYING PRISONERS.

		Cr.
1856		
Dec.	By amount disbursed this month.....	$148 38
1857		
Jan.	" "	00 00
Feb.	" "	255 70
March	" "	76 35
April	" "	321 95
May	" "	105 10
June	" "	222 40
July	" "	72 00
August	" "	00 00
Sept.	" "	58 60
Oct.	" "	428 73

CONVICTS' CLOTHING.

		Cr.
1856		
Dec.	By amount disbursed this month.....	$1 00
1857		
Oct.	" "	6 25

MACHINERY.

		Cr.
1856		
Dec.	By amount disbursed this month.....	$3 50
1857		
Jan.	" "	78 65

LUNATIC ASYLUM.

		Cr.
1857		
Jan.	By amount disbursed this month.....	$108 83

[DOCUMENT H—Continued.]

OFFICERS' SALARY.

1857		Cr.
Feb.	By amount disbursed this month.....	$200 00
March	" "	100 00
April	" "	25 00
June	" "	25 00
Oct.	" "	38 00

GUARDS' SALARY.

1857		Cr.
Feb.	By amount disbursed this month.....	$246 00
Oct.	" "	38 00

BLACKSMITH SHOP.

1857		Cr.
April	By amount disbursed this month.....	$00 45
May	" "	2 50
Oct.	" "	60 50

OIL AND LIGHTS.

1857		Cr.
May	By amount disbursed this month.....	$2 50
Oct.	" "	307 12

HOSPITAL:

1857		Cr.
Oct.	By amount disbursed this month.....	$2 50

[DOCUMENT I.]

TABLE showing for what crimes those now in prison were sentenced.

For	Forgery	1
do	Manslaughter	17
do	Larceny	43
do	Grand Larceny	5
do	Negro Stealing	11
do	Attempt at Rape	3
do	Assault to kill	6
do	Bigamy	1
do	Attempt to poison (female)	1
do	Arson	1
do	Receiving stolen goods	1
do	Burglary and larceny	2
do	Rape	1
do	Perjury	1
do	Murder	1
do	Robbery	2
do	Shooting to kill	1
do	Burglary	3
do	Passing counterfeit money	2
do	Assault at rape	2
	Total	105

[DOCUMENT J.]

TABLE showing from what counties received.

From	Hinds,	1
do	Warren	17
do	High Court	1
do	Harrison,	2
do	Rankin,	3
do	Monroe	3
do	Scott,	1
do	DeSoto,	6
do	Tippah	4
do	Hancock	1
do	Tishomingo,	3
do	Winston	2
do	Marshall	6
do	Adams	14
do	Sunflower	1
do	Yazoo,	4
do	Pontotoc	1
do	Claiborne	1
do	Yalobusha	2
do	Neshoba	2
do	Wayne	2
do	Lafayette	1
do	Choctaw	1
do	Pike,	1
do	Lauderdale	2
do	Carroll	2
do	Holmes	3
do	Leake	1
do	Issaquena	1
do	Wilkinson	1
do	Perry,	2
do	Chickasaw	1
do	Madison	3
do	Smith	1
do	Tunica,	1
do	Coahoma	1
do	Lawrence	2
do	Panola	1
do	Attala	1
do	Itawamba	2
	Total,	105

[DOCUMENT K.]

TABLE showing the place of nativity of those now in confinement.

Mississippi	16
Alabama	9
Tennessee	6
South Carolina	7
North Carolina	9
New York	5
Georgia	9
Kentucky	7
Pennsylvania	6
Ohio	3
Virginia	3
New Jersey	1
Europe	2
Austria	1
Ireland	9
Germany	1
Poland	1
France	1
Maryland	1
Indiana	1
Florida	1
Missouri	1
Wisconsin	1
Canada	2
Lilliput	2
Total	105

[DOCUMENT L.]

TABLE showing the occupation of each convict when committed.

Farmer	19
Machinist	1
Sadler	1
Ship Rigger	1
Millwright	1
Pilot	2
Tailor	2
Shoemaker	7
Upholster	1
Bricklayer	2
Carpenter	5
Blacksmith	4
Calico Printer	1
Ropemaker	1
Baker	1
Sailor,	2
Chairmaker	1
Painter	2
Overseer	2
Laborer	4
Factory Operator	1
Cook	1
Coppersmith	1
Stonecutter	1
Weaver	1
Hunter	1
No trade	38
Total	105

[DOCUMENT M.]

TABLE, showing the number of Convicts admitted in each year, from 1840 to Oct. 31, 1856, inclusive.

In 1840 there were admitted	36
In 1841 " "	23
In 1842 " "	24
In 1843 " "	26
In 1844 " "	31
In 1845 " "	24
In 1846 " "	42
In 1847 " "	26
In 1848 " "	33
In 1849 " "	25
In 1850 " "	32
In 1851 " "	27
In 1852 " "	41
In 1853 " "	49
In 1854 " "	34
In 1855 " "	25
In 1856 " "	42
In 1857 " "	35
Total number	975

[DOCUMENT N.]

TABLE, showing in what year the Convicts, now in confinement, were admitted.

In 1849,	there	were admitted	2
In 1850	"	"	2
In 1852	"	"	3
In 1853	"	"	7
In 1854	"	"	11
In 1855	"	"	14
In 1856	"	"	32
In 1857	"	"	34
		Total	105

DOCUMENT O.

TABLE, showing the number of Convicts pardoned in each year.

In 1840,	there were	00
In 1841	"	5
In 1842	"	4
In 1843	"	5
In 1844	"	2
In 1845	"	6
In 1846	"	8
In 1847	"	15
In 1848	"	9
In 1849	"	14
In 1850	"	8
In 1851	"	17
In 1852	"	16
In 1853	"	14
In 1854	"	10
In 1855	"	12
In 1856	"	16
In 1857	"	10
	Total	171

SPECIAL REPORT

OF THE INSPECTORS

OF THE

MISSISSIPPI PENITENTIARY.

MISSISSIPPI PENITENTIARY,
Jackson, Nov. 5, 1857.

To His Excellency, John J. McRae,
Governor of the State of Mississippi:

SIR:—On Sunday evening, the 1st instant, a few minutes before eight o'clock, a fire broke out in the southeast corner of the upper story of the wool and cotton factory building of the Penitentiary, causing its entire destruction, with all its contents of looms, cards, machinery, &c.

An estimate of the loss occasioned by the destruction of material in the factory building, as reported by the Superintendent, to Board of Inspectors, is herewith annexed.

The greatest credit is due to the citizens and strangers generally, (but especially to the Jackson Fire Company, headed by their efficient officer, Thomas Green, Esq.,) for their prompt, timely, and unremitting exertions in arresting the progress of the flames, and, most probably, saving the balance of the Penitentiary buildings from destruction.

As to the determined coolness of Mr. Hardin, the Superintendent, amidst the danger, confusion, and excitement which surrounded him, we have heard but one opinion. Promptly aided by

his efficient officers, not only no prisoner escaped, but the fullest arrangements were made to secure them, had it been necessary to release them from their cells.

We do not feel at liberty to pass unnoticed the serious, if not fatal accident which happened to a favorite and faithful servant belonging to yourself, whilst in the act of removing property from the burning building, and freely indulge the hope that the Legisa ture will, if consistent with their Constitutional obligations, make you full remuneration for the damage sustained.

With the aid of legal counsel, (Judge J. M Moore, a former member of the Board,) the Board of Inspectors proceeded, early on the following Tuesday morning, to make a thorough investigation as to the cause which led to the fire, but regret to add, that while Board believe the fire was most probably the work of an incendiary, still we have not been able to establish any satisfactory evidence of the fact.

When it is remembered that the Penitentiary has been in existence nearly twenty years, and not a day of that time has passed but what the building could have been fired by some one of the convicts, the only wonder is, that we have escaped thus long, while so many similar institutions, in other States, have suffered the fate which has befallen us.

We cannot close this communication without alluding to the faithful and strenuous exertions used by Joseph Baker, one of the convicts, in his endeavors to save the property of the Institution.

Respectfully, your obedient servants,

J. C. NAPIER,
C. H. MANSHIP,
THOMAS GRAVES, } INSPECTORS.

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE MISSISSIPPI PENITENTIARY, Nov. 3, 1857.

Messrs. J. C. Napier, Thomas Graves and C. H. Manship, Inspectors:

GENTLEMEN:—In obedience to a Resolution passed by your honorable body yesterday, requiring me to make up an estimate of the loss sustained by this Institution, in consequenee of the fire which consumed the Cotton Factory, on Sunday night, the 1st inst., I would, most respectfully, submit the following:

The factory building, which was three stories high, was erected in 1847, at a cost of $8,115 75, and at the time of the fire contained the following machinery, &c., viz:

Inventory of the Cost of Machinery, &c., consumed by the burnin of the Cotton Factory, on the 1st of November, 1857.

16	Cards	$3,144 00	
2	Railway and Fixtures	412 00	
2	" "	537 50	
3	Speeders	759 00	
7	Spinning Frames	3,143 00	
2	Filling Frames	898 00—	$8,893 50
32	Looms	1,920 00	
1	Wool Picker	108 00	
1	Burr Machine	128 00	
1	Wool Card Breaker	337 00	
1	" Finisher	524 00	
	Extra Rollers and Wheels,	59 04	
1,500	Bobbins	33 75—	3,109 79
2,000	Throstle Frame Bobbins	50 00	
8,000	Cap Filling Frame Bobbins	100 00	
22	Setts Keddles	33 00	
32	Pair Shuttles	36 00	
400	Mule Bobbins	10 00	
2	Dressers	800 00—	1,029 00
1	Cotton Press	25 00	
1	Banding Frame	12 00	
1	Willow	80 00	
I	Picker	500 00	
1	Wool Mule Frame	225 00	
150	Spindles	225 00	
	Shafting	1,500 00—	2,567 00
	Damage to Steam Piping in Factory, (say)	250 00	
	Damage to Tools &c., in Factory, (say)	500 00—	750 00
	Total of Machinery		$16,349 29
1,140	Bundles Cotton Yarn	$1,368 00	
2	Stoves	50 00	
20	Bales Cotton	1,080 00	
	Total of Goods		2,498 00
	Total of Machinery and Goods		$18,847 29
	Cost of Factory Building		8,115 75
	Add damage to Belting		600 00
	Grand Total		$27,563 04

In the above estimate, which has been taken from the books of the Institution, by Mr. Smyth, the Clerk, we have thought that it

would be more satisfactory to put down the cost of the machinery at the price paid for it at the factory, packed ready for shipment—excluding freights, interest and exchange.

Much of the machinery was old, and worn considerably, worth (intrinsically) much less than the above estimate.

I cannot forbear mentioning the service rendered to the Institution by the Fire Company of this city, on the occasion. They subdued the raging flames, and saved from destruction thousands of dollars' worth of property.

I also feel grateful to the citizens and strangers generally, for prompt and efficient services rendered.

I am truly happy to announce to you, that whatever may have been the design or cause of this misfortune to the State, we were fortunate enough not to lose a single prisoner from our custody.

I trust that the Legislature will make an appropriation sufficiently large to purchase a sufficient amount of machinery and erect suitable buildings for its reception.

I would, in conclusion, respectfully ask you to visit the prison as often as your private engagements will permit. I shall, in the present condition of affairs, desire your counsel, to enable me to make suitable arrangements for the employment of the prisoners.

Yours, most respectfully,

A. M. HARDIN
Superintendent.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

STATE TREASURY, Jackson, Miss.
Nov. 10, 1857.

To the Legislature of the State of Mississippi:

I make to your Honorable body a statement of the transactions of this office for the year 1856, and for the year 1857, up to the first day of Nov. last past.

The cash on hand, 1st day of January, 1856, amounted to	$249,306 90
The receipts of 1856 amounted to	736,179 18
The expenditures for the same time were	784,896 79
Add the cash on hand 1st January, 1856, to the receipts of that year,	249,306 90
	736,179 18
	$985,486 08
And deduct expenditures,	784,896 79
Cash on hand, 1st January 1857,	$200,589 29
Again the receipts of 1857, that is to say from the first day of January to the 31st day of October last past, (both days inclusive,) amount to	$1,015,478 30
The expenditures for the same period amount to	$1,067,086 57
Add the cash on hand 1st Janrary, 1857, to the receipts of 1857, as above stated	200,589 29
	1,015,478,30
	$1,216,067 59
And deduct expenditures for the same period,	1,067,086 57
And we have this amount of cash on hand 1st Nov., 1857,	$148,981 02

I annex tabular statements of the receipts and expenditures for both years, by which each item of receipt and expenditure may be seen at a glance.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

S. L. HUSSEY, *State Treasurer.*

TABLE FIRST.

Showing the receipts of 1856, (from the first day of January to to the last day of December, both days inclusive,) and the various departments on which those receipts were paid into the Treasury.

	CHICKASAW SCHOOL FUND	TAX SALES.	STATE TAX.	COMMISSION'RS FOR ASSESSING
January...	9,904 68	923 09	197 35	137 56
February..	3,944 34	664 22	14,800 00	
March....	11,395 98	248 92	9 508 37	
April	3,845 28	351 40	75 983 81	
May.....	8,868 78	247 37	243,262 8-	
June	1,208 22	2,754 89	2,051 80	
July.....	5,788 86	36- 30	477 47	
August ...	4 512 24	119 67		
September.	13,777 22	55 10		
October ..	22,972 08	101 54		
November.	33,117 36	238 61		
December.	64,321 14	167 66		
	$183,656 18	6,240 88	346,281 68	137 56

TABLE FIRST.—Continued.

Showing the receipts of 1856, (from the first day of January to the last day of December, both days inclusive) and the various departments on which those receipts were paid into the Treasury.

	SINKING FUND.	SEMINARY FUND.	STATE DEEDS.	STATE TAX REFUNDED.	GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.
January.....	4,580 00	1,600 00			
February.....					62 50
March.....					
April.....		160 54	218 70	7.93	...
May.....	1,920 00		100 67	3 55	
June.....					
July.....					
August.....					
September...	500 00	500 00			
October.....					
November...	518 00				
December....	70 00				
	$5,487 00	2,260 54	319 37	11 48	62 50

TABLE FIRST.—Continued.

Showing the receipts of 1856, (from the first day of January to the last day of December, both days inclusive,) and the various departments on which those receipts were paid into the Treasury.

	INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT FUND.	APPROPRIATIONS REFUNDED.	REDEMPTION OF LANDS.
January	9,463 85	608 95	156 28
February	10,161 52		133 64
March	10,590 23		
April	5,889 23		438 62
May	9,510 49		194 78
June	1,102 24		875 23
July	8,808 00		
August	5,419 81		
September	10,420 87		
October	32,008 92		
November	33,482 22		
December	47,232 93		
	$184,090 31	608 95	1,798 55

TABLE FIRST.—Continued.

Showing the receipts of 1856, (from the first day of January to the last day of December, both days inclusive,) and the various departments on which those receipts were paid into the Treasury.

	APPROPRI-TIONS.	TOWN LOT FUND.	TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR 1856, FROM ALL SOURCES.
January			$27,571 76
February			29.766 22
March			31,743 50
April			86,895 60
May	$145 14		264,253 68
June			7,992 38
July			15,442 63
August			10,051 72
September			25,253 19
October			55,082 54
November			67,356 19
December			114,769 77
	$145 14	$2,978 00	$736,179 18

TABLE SECOND.

Showing the expenditures of 1856, (from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December, both days inclusive,) and the various departments on which those expenditures were made.

	JUDICIARY.	CAPITOL EXPENSES.	COMMISSIONS FOR ASSESSING.	AUDITOR'S CONTINGENT FUND.
January....	$5,9[illegible] 85	$88 50	$3,219 79	$73 00
February...	8,101 17	71 25	1,021 70	43 40
March.....	2,813 12	20 50	1,043 75	
April.....	11,514 99	107 05	1,257 22	47 50
May	44,306 92		3,362 22	
June.....	6,674 72		268 05	9 00
July.....	4,046 75	40 00	100 00	72 88
August	7,700 22	10 00		
September..	2,216 76	5 00	100 00	1,409 73
October....	4,156 37	77 25	2,770 38	2 40
November..	14,965 48	46 16	2,846 68	23 00
December .	10,691 26	346 15	881 56	
	$122,268 61	$811 86	$16,871 92	1,680 91

TABLE SECOND.—Continued.

Showing the expenditures of 1856, (from the first day of January to the thirty-first day of December, both days inclusive,) and the various departments on which those expenditures were made.

	PENITENTIARY.	LUNATIC ASYLUM.	BLIND INTITUTE.	CON'G'T FUND STATE LIBRA'Y.	EXEC'T'VE MANSION.
January					
Febuary					
March	$2,504 18	$23,000 00	$2,625 00	$200 00	$2,000 00
April					
May		16,000 00			
June	2,493 93				
July			625 00		
August					
Sept	2,530 00				
October			625 00		
Nov					
Dec	1,801 33		300 00		
	$9,329 44	$39,000 00	$4,175 00	$200 00	$2,000 00

TABLE SECOND.—Continued.

Showing the expenditures of 1856, (from the first 1st day of January to the 31st day of December, both days inclusive and the various departments on which these expenditures were made.

	PUBLIC PRINTING.	EXECUTIVE.	STATE LIBRARY.	MISSISSIPPI UNIVERSITY.
January....	$92 40	$750 00	$149 85	$6,041 63
February ..	55 30			
March.....	317 10	875 00		
April	844 65	1,375 00	137 50	7,294 88
May	4,325 05	500 00		6,757 82
June.....	4,150 25	950 00		
July	2,303 40	1,100 00	137 50	
August	38 70	300 00		1,000 00
September .	7 50	1,100 00		
October....	121 50	1,100 00	137 50	
November..	152 20	300 00	9 75	
December .	19 00	300 00		
	$12,427 05	$8,550 00	$572 10	$21,094 35

TABLE SECOND.—Continued.

Showing the expenditures of 1856, (from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December, both days inclusive) and the various departments on which those expenditures were made

	LEGISLATIVE.	SINKING FUND.	CHICKASAW TAX TITLES.	RECORDING. TAX TITLES.
January....	$3,960 13	375 00		26 60
February...	13,867 20	375 00		
March.....	26,622 83		$45,850 00	5 00
April.....	448 00		60 00	59 10
May.....	798 00	375 00	120,859 00	49 80
June.....	4 00		25,000 00	
July.....			705 98	15 85
August.....				20 40
September.		375 00	11,060 77	38 30
October.....				
November..		375 00	10,849 68	92 70
December...	10,957 20		27,569 99	13 30
	56,657 36	$1,875 00	$241,947 42	$321 05

TABLE SECOND.—Continued.

Showing the expenditures of 1856, (from the first day of January to the thirty-first day of December, both days inclusive,) and the various departments on which these expenditures were made.

	LITERARY FUND.	REVOLUTIONARY SOLD'RS.	EXECUTED SLAVES.	REDEMP'N OF LANDS.	DEAF AND DUMB ASYLUM.
January					
February					
March					
April	$9 90	$100 00			
May			$1,950 00	$1,762 20	
June			1,600 00		
July			1,600 00		
August			600 00		
September					$2,000 00
October			750 00		
November					
December		100 00			
	$9 90	$200 00	$6,500 90	$1,762 20	$2,000 00

TABLE SECOND.—Continued.

Showing the expenditures of 1856, (from the first day of January to the thirty-first day of December, both days inclusive,) and the various departments on which those expenditures were made.

	EXECUTIVE CONTING'T FUND.	MILITIA.	SWAMP LAND FUND.	INTERNAL IMPROVEM'NT FUND.
January	$4,000 00	$150 00		$11,125 12
February			$85 00	10,000 00
March				10,061 88
April		150 00	26 00	273 76
May			25 00	19,283 00
June				50 00
July				
August		150 00		7,560 00
September				5,000 00
October		150 00	55 00	5,000 00
November				35,000 00
December			976 47	50,000 00
	$4,000 00	$600 47	$1,167 00	$153,353 76

TABLE SECOND.—Continued.

Showing the expenditures of 1856, (from the first day of January to the thirty-fiyst day of December, both days inclusive,) and the various departments on which these ezpenditures were made.

	APPROPRIATIONS.	CODE OF MISSISSIPPI.	STAEE ARSEN'L.	DISTRIB' LAWS AND JOUR'LS.
January				
February	$6,804 45	$3,835 75	$125 00	
March	13,235 19			
April	10,226 10	7,040 00		
May	2,314 57	9,877 00	125 00	
June	150 00			$59 00
July				
August	20,056 68			196 99
September				46 00
October				160 67
November				
December	18 51			
	$52,805 50	$20,752 75	$250 00	$462 66

TABLE SECOND.—Continued.

Showing the expenditures of 1856, from the first day of January to the thirty-first day of December, both days inclusive,) and the various departments on which those expenditures were made.

	Attorney General's Contingent Fund.	Elections.	Total Expenditures for 1856 from all sources.
January,.....			$35,131 87
February			44,385 22
March.....			131,173 55
April.....			40,971 19
May			232,662 58
June			41,408 95
July			10,748 36
August.....			37,632 99
September.....			25,889 06
October.....	100 00		15,106 07
November.....		358 00	65,018 65
December.....		793 50	104,768 30
	100 00	1,151 50	$784,896 79

TABLE THIRD.

Showing the receipts at this office from the 1st day of January, to the 31st day of October, A. D., 1857, both days inclusive; also the various departments on which those receipts were paid in.

	CHICKASAW SCHOOL FUND.	INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT FUND.	STATE TAX.
January	24,306 60	10,088 09	
February	18,661 98	4,259 23	900 00
March	37,253 52	9,347 02	300 00
April	32,383 68	29,416 56	3,000 00
May	26,476 04	21,684 82	103,390 67
June	89 690 12	31,044 16	218,965 76
July	29,271 00	11,184 74	33,103 29
August	51,804 12	15,828 16	
September	36,006 54	8,696 03	
October	1,854 96	4,054 05	
	$347,708 56	145,603 86	359,659 72

TABLE THIRD.—Continued.

Showing the receipt at this office from the 1st day of January, to the 31st day of October, A. D., 1857, both days inclusive; also the various departments on which those receipts were paid in.

	TAX SALES.	PENITENTIARY.	SEMINARY FUND.
January	107 44	14,546 60	3,427 00
February	261 85	957 32	
March	193 03	1,515 16	4,726 25
April	239 64		
May	95 13		
June	457 53		
July	478 03		
August	414 48		
September	35 52		
October	356 14		
	$2,638 79	17,019 08	8,153 25

TABLE THIRD.—Continued.

Showing the receipts at this office from the 1st day of January, to the 31st day of October, A. D., 1857, both days inclusive; also the various departments on which those receipts were paid in.

	INTEREST ON CHICK. SCHOOL FUND.	SINKING FUND.	STATE DEEDS.
January			
February			
March			
April	11,387 76		
May		7,880 00	37 08
June		1,975 00	1,318 45
July			159 13
August			
September			
October	12,680 80		
	$24,068 56	9,855 00	1,514 66

TABLE THIRD.—Continued.

Showing the receipts at this office from the 1st day of January, to the 31st day of October, A. D., 1857, both days inclusive; also the various departments on which those receipts were paid in.

	GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.	THREE PER CENT FUND.	TOTAL REC'PTS FOR 1857 FROM ALL SOURCES.
January			52,475 73
February			25,040 38
March			53,334 98
April			76,427 64
May			159,563 74
June			343,451 02
July			74,196 10
August			68,047 76
September			44,738 09
October	398 31	98,858 51	118,202 77
	$398 31	98,858 51	1,015,478 03

TABLE FOURTH.

Showing the expenditures, from the 1st day of January, to the 31st day of October, 1857, both days inclusive; also the various departments on which those expenditures were made.

	COMMISSIONS FOR ASSESSING.	RECORDING TAX TITLES.	CAPITOL REPAIRS.
January	$1,555 72		$9 25
February	234 48	90	55 00
March			16 50
April		6 40	131 62
May	1,090 41	4 05	114 00
June	2,714 27	1,11 15	60 50
July	617 56	3 20	80 00
August			
September		2 10	655 25
October		8 10	397 10
	$6,212 44	$135 90	$1,519 22

TABLE FOURTH.—Continued.

Showing the expenditures from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of October, 1857, both days inclusive; also, the various departments on which those expenditures were made.

	JUDICIARY	CHICKASAW. SCHOOL FUND.	LEGISLATIVE.
January	$6,430 70	$67,000 00	$13,719 17
February	7,164 81	53,716 81	18,580 47
March	3,735 62	30,000 00	465 60
April	3,456 17	543 99	43 39
May	20,516 09	51,933 41	56 00
June	43,785 56	33,775 85	198 10
July	10,317 26	33,786 82	
August	7,470 97		
September	5,674 52	60,541 3	
October	5,703 22	63,000 00	
	$114,281 85	$147,300 7[illegible]	$33,026 63

TABLE FOURTH.—Continued.

Showing the expenditures from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of October, 1857, both days inclusive; also, the various departments on which those expenditures were made.

	CONTINGENT FUND.	STATE ARSENAL.	SWAMP LAND FUND.
January		$125 00	$672 45
February	$10 00		98 00
March			243 11
April			
May			100 00
June		125 00	
July			30 00
August			
September			
October			2,026 25
	$10 00	$250 00	3,169 81

TABLE FOURTH.—Continued.

Showing the expenditures from the 1st day of January, to the 31st day of October, 1857, both days inclusive: also, the various departments on which those expenditures were made.

	ELECTIONS.	PUBLIC PRINTING.	BLIND INSTITUTE.
January			
February			
March	356 00	327 90	1,075 00
April	188 00	447 65	
May		20 00	1,750 00
June	188 00	582 60	
July	504 00	307 50	1,750 00
August	2,180 00	95 77	
September	656 00	3,538 50	
October	90 00	366 40	
November	298 00	851 40	
December		377 80	1,750 00
	4,460 00	6,915 52	6,325 00

TABLE FOURTH.—Continued.

Showing the expenditures from the 1st day of January, to the 31st day of October, 1857, both days inclusive; also, the various departments on which those expenditures were made.

	AUDITORS CONTINGENT FUND.	PENITENTIARY	INTERNAL IMPROVE'T FUND.
January			
February			
March	243 50	6,194 10	62 87
April	179 50	6,769 32	22,244 80
May		3,490 81	771 91
June	141 20	2,247 89	17,500 00
July	7 00		3 50
August		2,380 00	42,500 00
September			427 25
October	1,684 90		
November	19 50	2,555 00	
December	98 80		190,000 00
	2,374 40	23,637 13	273,561 33

TABLE FOURTH.—Continued.

Showing the expenditures from the 1st day of January, to the 31st day of October, A. D., 1857, both days inclusive; also, the various departments on which those expenditures were made.

	STATE LIBRARY.	SEMINARY FUND.	EXECUTED SLAVES.
January	147 00	3,587 54	590 00
February			
March			650 00
April	147 15		
May			1,950 00
June			1,360 00
July	1,349 70		2,175 00
August			
September			
October	277 35		
	$1,921 20	3,587 54	6,725 00

TABLE FOURTH.—Continued.

Showing the expenditures from the first day of January to the thirty-first day of October, 1857, both days inclusive; also, the various departments on which those expenditures were made.

	MILITIA.	EXECUTIVE.	APPROPRIATIONS.	LOCATING STATE LANDS.
January	$150 00	$1,375 00	$9 00	
February		300 00	7,752 19	$5 00
March		200 00		
April	150 00	1,200 00		
May		490 69	998 90	
June		1,288 00	13,135 30	
July	150 00	2,289 50	480 73	
August		600 00	500 00	
September		700 00		
October	150 00	1,500 00	959 00	
	$600 00	$9,893 19	$23,835 12	$5 00

TABLE FOUR.—Continued.

Showing the expenditures from the first day of January to the thirty-first day of October, 1857, both days inclusive; also, the various departments on which those expenditures were made.

	EX'CUT'VE CONTING'T FUND.	SINKING FUND.	LUNATIC ASYLUM.
January			
February	$4,000 00	$375 00	$15,000 00
March			
April			
May		375 00	
June			
July			10,000 00
August		375 00	
September			
October			
	$4,000 00	$1,125 00	$25,000 00

TABLE FOURTH.—Continued.

Showing the expenditures from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of October A. D. 1857 both days inclusive; also the various departments on which those expenditures were made.

	Deaf and Dumb Assylum.	Mississippi University	Two per cent Fund
January			
February	8,500 05		
March		10,000 00	5,412 94
April		2,500 00	
May			
June		12,136 40	
July		1,000 00	
August			
September			
October	3,500 00		
	12,000 00	25,636 40	5,412 94

TABLE FOURTH.—Continued.

Showing the expenditures from the 1st day of January, to the 31st day of October A. D. 1857 both days inclusive; also, the various department on which those expenditures were made.

	Geological Survey	State Library Contingent Fund.	Code of Mississipp	Distributiting Liws and Journals.
January.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
February.....				
March.....				
April.....	2,366 66	5 00		269 82
May.....				65 34
June.....	1,000 00			257 01
July.....	3,500 00		3,000 00	375 59
August.....			11,898 00	
September.....				
October.....	727 35			
	.....	.....	.....	.....
	7,594 41	5 00	14,898 00	967 76

TABLE FOURTH.—Concluded.

Showing the expenditures from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of October, 1857, both days inclusive; also the various departments on which those expenditures were made.

	TAX SALES.	REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIERS.	TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR 1857 from all sources.
January			$103,630 20
February			145,621 97
March			56,762 49
April			31,209 57
May			83,203 55
June		$162 98	207,228 63
July			70,541 86
August			11,344 22
September			74,672 71
October	$498 00		282,871 37
	$498 00	$162 98	$1,067,086 57

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the Trustees of the Mississipi Institute

For the Deaf and Dumb:

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit to you a report of the Institution forthe education of the Deaf and Dumb for a portion of the year 1857.

We may be permitted, in view of the events of the past year, to indulge the hope that this Institution, having passed through the fluctuations and perils of its infancy, has been placed by the fostering care of the State, and the prudent management of its Trustees, on such a basis as to command the confidence of the parents and friends of the deaf and dumb in its future success and efficiency.

Under a few simple heads I propose to present those facts and principles of our Institution which, I am satisfied, will be most desirable to those who are, or may become, interested in the Institution.

THE LOCATION OF THE INSTITUTE.

Since the presentation of the last report, the exchange of property, for which provisions were made as there reported, has been effected, and the institute has been removed a mile from its former location in Jackson, to the buildings formerly occupied by the Episcopal College, on the road leading to Clinton.

Seventy acres of ground are connected with those buildings, which will afford means of raising corn or other vegetables, besides affording pasturage, and a portion of the fuel needed by the Institute. A yard of some twelve or fifteen acres, interspersed with pleasant and beautiful groves and grass lawns, has been enclosed under a neat and substantial plank fence, and affords a pleasant scene for recreation, and by its attractiveness tends to inspire and strengthen the attachment of the pupils to the place. The buildings are pleasant and airy, and, when fully repaired, can accommodate 70 or 80 pupils. The fencing of the grounds, the painting of the buildings and other improvements which have been made, are of such a character as to evince the sound judgement and taste of the Board of Trustees.

Possessing probably the most eligible position of any property in the vicinity of Jackson, with the Vicksburg Railroad immediately in front, and the Clinton road in its rear, it will have numerous daily witnesses of the generosity or neglect of the State.

THE HEALTH OF THE INSTITUTION.

During the Spring and Summer of the last session we have enjoyed the most perfect health, scarcely having any occasion to use medicine, to the close of the session.

In the beginning of the present session we were attacked by the prevailing influenza, but only one of the cases assumed a dangerous form; few of the pupils being required to take their beds except for a short period.

To the anxious enquiry so often made by parents, "how will my child be attended to in sickness?" we would state that we have the services of one of the most skillful physicians in Jackson, who has also placed a chest of well selected medicines to be used in cases of emergency. In addition to this, a room is selected and kept warm and cheerful, where they have the constant attendance of one of the officers or pupils.

We also have the satisfaction of stating that the yellow fever has never come this far out during its prevalence in Jackson.

On this account its buildings were formerly a refuge for many of the citizens of Jackson, while it raged in that place.

With abundance of pure air, pleasant scenery, ample playgrounds, and above all, constant opportunities to gratify the cravings of their moral, social and intellectual natures, in the school and in each other's society, we have reason to believe that many deaf mutes who are now pining themselves into premature decay, would here under these stimulants, be restored to health.

The isolation and solitariness of their situation does not injure those of more sluggish intellect but commits its ravages upon those of more intellectual and finely organized natures. Education has been proved recently, by statistics, to promote long life, this is especially the case with mutes.

Yet many parents permit imaginary fears and morbid tenderness, to lead them to cut off their children from that knowledge which their minds crave, as a plant in the dark stretches its branches to the solitary opening which lets in the light of heaven.

TEACHERS.

Besides the Superintendant who devotes all the hours of school to the instruction of the pupils, the board have engaged a portion of the time of Mr. Lawrence Saunders, a promising pupil, as a Monitor or assistant teacher. Mr. Saunders though young, has by his zeal and industry made such advances in the art of teaching as give good promise of his future usefulness. He is also indebted for his appointment, to his genial temper and good moral character.

THE DOMESTIC DEPARTMENT.

The domestic department and the care of the female pupils, is devolved upon Mrs. E. Adams, who having been the Matron of a

similar institution for some years, brings a considerable experience of the difficulties and duties of her position. Mrs. Adams possesset those talents for neatness and order as a housekeeper, and that kindness and forbearance of disposition which adapt her, to a high degree, to her present position.

OUR SESSION AND VACATION.

Our session will commence the first Monday of October, and close the last Friday in July. We find the reports of similar institutions in other States, filled with earnest appoals to parents to come for their children, only at the close of the session, and to bring them punctually, with the beginning of another session. Some Institutions have gone so far as to refuse pupils, except at two specified periods; one at the commencement, and the other, in the middle of their session. Could parents realize the injury done not only to their own children, but also their classes, by holding them back till delinquents catch up, they would not allow neglect or petty obstacles to delay them from returning, till weeks after the commencement of the session. Some pupils from this cause have have to be put back into lower classes, or recite by themselves and are thus liable to receive less attention. Our vacations will be two months; so that when the rail-roads which are now under construction are finished, they can be placed at their parents' doors, in a few hours, or in one or two days. Thus parents who are so reluctant to send away beloved children, will have their society for a considerable period each year. Though they will lose their society temporarily, yet the value of that portion they do have, will be enhanced by the pain of separation, and by a yearly view of the advance of their children from a deep state of ignorance, to intelligence, and from the possession of a small vocabulary, to the use of a language which expresses every want of the body, and every emotion of the heart. The trustees of the Georgia Institution and of those in other States, acknowledge their obligations to various Rail Roads, for allowing their pupils to pass, to and from school, free of charge. It would afford us pleasure, another year, to be able to make similar acknowledgments. Many of our pupils are very poor, and live in distant portions of the State, and their parents have to pay beyond their ability, for the pleasure of their childrens' society in vacation. Others will not send because they cannot afford to bring them to and from school

NEW PUPILS.

The Superintendant spent about a month in canvassing larger or smaller portions of the following central and northern counties of this State, for the purpose of visiting the families of the deaf and dumb, to wit: Rankin, Leake, Winston, Choctaw, Chickasaw,

results. As the fruits of these labours five pupils have already boen brought to the school, and at least as many more are confidently expected in a short time. Between 15 and 20 mutes of fine capacities and desirable age were visited by him at their parents' houses. Others either educated or in advanced life were also visited. As the result of these efforts he is confirmed in the following views which were expressed by him last year, after similar labours in Missouri, and were embodied in the reports of the institution of that State. They are given with certain modifications to suit the difference of the States. 1st, That there is an average of two deaf and dumb persons in each county of the State, of a suitable age to attend school, making an aggregate (if the average be correct) of over 100 persons entitled to the benevolence of the State. 2nd, That above 20 of this number are enjoying these advantages. 3d, That there are very few of these children who may not with persevering and skilful offorts, be brought into the Asylum. 4th, That at an average cost of $10,00 each, a large number can be brought to the school who will otherwise live and die in ignorance of anything worth the name of social intercourse. 5th, That so long as education is not alike free to all, many children, whose circumstances place them above the charity of the State, will never come to the institution, in consequence of the unnatural avarice of parents and guardians. On the other hand, parents really not able, will either exhaust a scanty income, or deprive their children of the benefits of education from false pride.

6th, That some direct agency is necessary to bring all these children to the school. 7th, That such an agency rightly managed, would put this benevolent institution on such a footing as to reflect great credit on the State of Mississippi.

Pontotoc, Itawamba, Tishemingo, Lafayette and Marshall. Other counties were passed, but in a too hurried manner to produce any

PAY AND STATE PUPILS.

Mr. Brown, the intelligent and experienced Superintendent of the Louisiana Deaf and Dumb Institution so favorably known here by the kind and successful aid which he rendered this School on a former occasion, in speaking of the distinction between rich and poor pupils, denominates it a "promiscous classification" and congratulates the Board of that Institution upon the fact that the State of Louisiana had in the begining "openned the doors of that Institution to all, that its blessing like the rains and dews of Heaven, might descend upon all those children of misfortune without money and without price."

He says that if the sum which is thus paid in were to be equally divided among the mute population it would amount for each individual mute in

New York to $1,50; Pennsylvania to $2,00, Ohio to 20 cents;

Georgia to $2,50; Tennesse to 0,00 New England to $1,40.—The average not being quite $1,28 for each mute inhabitant of these States.

He sums up the whole calculation by this just conclusion that the aggregate sum (in those States) would not afford half pay to the police juries or other public bodies for the time spent in considering applications for pauper admissions." A former Legislature has abolished this distribution so far as the Blind School is concerned, and we most earnestly urge upon the present Legislature the necessity of making this School free to all, letting mute children like the Cadets of West Point be the *all* children of the State. I can never forget the emphatic manner in which Mr. Jacobs, the Principle of the Kentucky Institution expressed his satisfaction when after a long struggle he had accomplished his cherished plan of making the mute children of that Commonwealth all the children of the State. The same thing has also been done in Illinois and Indiana.

When I state through you, gentlemen, the fact that above all other persons the parents of the Deaf and Dumb ought to have every advantage for laying up money, for their dependent children; and when I tell you in this connection, with these facts that our pay pupils are the children of parents with large families and moderate means, who are thus cramped by the laws; and when I add to these facts, that I know and have seen some interresting children who might and would be here in a short period if this distinction were abolished. I am satisfied that the impulsive sentiment of this warm and generous latitude would be, "whosoever will, let him come without money and without price."

I will only add that I hope this measure will be early adopted, that we may have, as soon as possible, some children here, whose sprightly minds have attracted my especial regard. Is the Legislature prepared to say of even 5 or 6 pupils, you may not be educated because your parents are not prepared to make the requisite sacrifices?

THE DISCIPLINE OF THE SCHOOL.

It has been the endeavor of the officers of the Institute to make the discipline of the School kind and parental. They have endeavored to gain the confidence and affection of the pupils, by an impartial demeanor and by sharing in their labors and sports.

The Superintendent is happy to report that he has not had occasion to punish a single pupil since his connection with the Institute. A consistent firmness, a mild rebuke, an appeal to their love of their parents, or a reference to the claims of God upon them, have been found sufficient to secure obedience and order; and to preserve that harmony and cheerfulness which has attracted the attention of many of our visitors. We would do the pupils

injustice did we not declare that we have rarely met a company of young persons who could unite propriety with pleasantry, industry with good temper and justice with forbearance to a greater degree than our pupils.

STUDIES AND EMPLOYMENTS.

There is at this time an unusual degree of interest manifested in their studies. This has been the case to such a degree as to tax the patience of the superintendent to overlook, out of school, their voluntary efforts at composition, and also to render it difficult to induce them to take a due amount of recreation. They have especially manifested an increased desire to construct sentences correctly. This results in a good measure from the efforts of kind friends to draw them out in written conversation, their minds being thus led to estimate their past attainments and their present wants, they return from their homes, with an increased eagerness to gather and arrange a vocabulary adequate to the requirements of society. This is one of the considerations added to others, which should lead parents to take their children to their homes during the vacation.

It is in contemplation to provide some way, as soon as our means will allow, of instructing some of the pupils in some mechanichal art or trade, if their parents desire it.

At present the male pupils find exercise in various games, in cutting firewood, and in the improvement of our grounds. The girls are taught to sew, and to perform some of the lighter household duties, by the matrons, as is customary in all such institutions in other States.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

We return our warmest thanks to Judges Yerger, Scott and others, who have granted us the privilege of selecting from the books donated by them to the Episcopal College, such as will be useful to our Institution. We are also grateful to M. Shannon, Esq., the proprietor of the Vicksburg Whig, for sending us his daily paper. We are under similar obligations to the proprietor of the Mississippi Baptist.

We would remark in this connection that some of our pupils are now arriving at that state of their education, when they begin to read papers with interest and a desire to get the latest news in these stirring times, will stimulate them to a more earnest study of language. And whatever is gleaned by one pupil from the papers, soon through the interesting medium of pantomime, becomes the common property of the school, each one being anxious to become the interpreter to those a little lower in the scale of education than himself.

Representatives, Sheriffs, Assessors, Doctors, and Ministers—I would respectfully ask these influential classes, whose duties continually throw them in connection with the Deaf and Dumb, to exert the influence their position gives them to induce parents to send their children to the school. They are your constituents, your patients, the members of your flocks, and motives of duty and humanity strongly urge your interposition in their behalf

In conclusion, permit me, gentlemen of the Board of Trustees, to return my grateful acknowledgements of your many acts of courtesy; for the patient attention you have devoted to such measures as the interest of the Institution required me to bring before you; and for the judicious manner in which you have modified and improved any plans which had not been matured. And permit me to express the hope, that our subsequent relations may be as pleasant as the past.

Respectfully submitted.

A. K MARTIN, Superintendent.

TO THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

DEAF AND DUMB INSTITUTE.

It will be seen from the Treasurer's report that there will be a considerable balance on hand of last year's appropriations. This arises from the salaries to the teachers and matron having been more moderate than was then contemplated, and also from the fact that the accession to our number was smaller than was expected at the time when the bill was drafted.

This balance we ask as the means of carrying out the suggestions of the Trustees during the next two years, viz: Fencing, painting furnaces furniture, plastering and carpenter work. By the use of proper economy this will at least suffice for the most necessary improvements.

We also ask a permanent annual appropriation of six thousand dollars. We have definite information from various counties of the intention of other mutes to come at an early date; and the services of another teacher are now required. In view of these facts we could not safely enter upon another year with a smaller appropriation.

Should a smaller amount suffice, the balance will be duly returned as in the present report.

The appropriation for last year was seven thousand dollars. We ask one thousand dollars less for the ensuing year. The following estimate is respectfully submitted.

Salary Principal	1200
Salary Matron (say)	400
Salary Assistants	750
Servant hire	500
Provisions,	2000
Fuel	200
Clothing for indigent pupils,	500
Contingent	450
Total	$6,000

A. K. MARTIN,
Superintendent.

NAMES OF SCHOLARS, RESIDENCE, &C.

NAME.	COUNTY.	TIME OF ADMISSION.
Lawrence Sanders	Hinds	Aug 1854
William Cabeniss	Hinds	Aug 1854
Charles Willis	Yallobusha	Sept 1854
William Williamson	Warren	Sept 1854
John Moran	Hancock	Nov 1854
Valery Moran	do	do
Sarah Easterly	Octibbeha	Dec 1854
William Davis	Copiah	do
Fanny Davis	do	do
Adaline Taylor	do	do
Sarah Raley	Holmes	March 1856
Ann Allen	Madison	1856
William Allen	do	1856
Columbus Nettle	Kemper	Dec 1856
Buena Vista Allen	Madison	May 1857
Robert B. Thomas	Chickasaw	Oct 1857
Benjamin Williams	Lafayette	1857
James M. Blaker	do	1857
Charles N. Ruttledge	Wilkinson	1857
Nancy Smith	Pontotoc	1857
Annie M·Farland	Rankin	Nov 1857.

Application for admission should be made to A. K. Martin Superintendent of the Institution.

Parents and guardians are expected to provide their children with suitable and substantial clothing.

It is not desirable for pupils to enter the Institution except in October or in March.

When a pupil enters the Institution, we wish a written statement of, 1st. His age. 2d. Cause of deafness. 3d. Has he any relations who are deaf? 4th. The names of his parents and guardians, and their postoffice address. 5th. The number and names of their children.

TRUSTEES REPORT.

To the Legislature of the State of Mississippi;

It is with much pleasure that the Board of Trustees for the Mississippi Institute for the Deaf and Dumb, are enabled to report that this institution is in a highly prosperous condition; a large and commodious building, adequate to its present and future wants having been secured by the exchange of property, provided for at the last session of your honorable body; a larger number of pupils being now in attendance than at any former period, and considerable additions being expected at an early date, and above all, a degree of order, harmony and efficiency prevailing in its internal management, which will secure for it that public estimation which is its surest guarantee of success.

We are more and more satisfied with the advantages gained by the exchange of property. It will be productive of better health by the facilities it affords for healthful sports in a pure atmosphere, it will also withdraw the pupils from the numerous and varied temptations of a town life, besides securing accommodations and conveniences which have cost other States many thousand dollars.

It will be seen from the Treasurers' report, that a portion of the appropriation made for improvement of the property has been used in such ways as the interests of the institution most urgently demanded. The outside of the building was decaying for want of a coat of paint. This has been given at a moderate rate and a substantial manner.

A yard and garden from similar reasons have been enclosed in a cheap and substantial style. What remains after these expenditures will not be sufficient to put the buildings and grounds in such a state as their welfare requires. We would recommend an additional appropriation to enclose a larger portion of ground which will otherwise be almost useless, but if placed under a fence would soon more than repay the cost of fencing by supplying the institute with corn and other grain.

The fencing and painting have improved the appearance of the place beyond our most sanguin expectations, yet still the appearance of the buildings is marred by its naked appearance. This defect would be remedied, and the health and comfort of the inmates increased both in Summer and in Winter, by the addition of shutters to the windows. This is also a measure of economy, as one storm

might destroy enough glass as almost to cover the cost of the shutters. A room should also be fitted up with bathing appliances. This measure we consider not only a means of health and comfort, but is also advisable from the close connection subsisting between good morals and cleanly habits.

As far the largest portion of our children are from families whose means are limited, some to an extreme degree, it will be necessary to continue the appropriation heretofore made, for clothing indigent pupils. We would not farther tax the sympathies of the officers of the institution, by compelling them to witness the sufferings of the children. from scanty clothing or insufficient food, as has sometimes been the history in similar schools.

We would commend to your candid consideration the suggestions made in the report of the superintendent, in reference to the change in the law, by which our Institution. like that of the Blind, may be made free to all this unfortunate class. We are satisfied that this measure would in more ways than one, elevate the character and increase the numbers of the school, so that it would assume a far higher place in public estimation, than its scanty attendance has heretofore permitted. The principal cost has alrerdy been met in securing a house and the services of instructors; why then defeat our benevolent aims by interposing unnecessary bars to the advance of a benevolent institution in a State as prosperous and wealthy as ours.

It is necessary that the inside of the house should be painted, a portion plastered, some conveniences added. and a portion of it furnished. An estimation of expenses for the coming year and the Treasurer's report are herewith submitted.

As it is known by your honorable body that we have assumed a position in this matter without profit or pleasure, (except so far as is derived from a consciousness of doing our duty) and not without its painful responsibilities and not only so, but that we have bestowed much thought and attention in the economical expenditure of the means entrusted to our care, we may not consider ourselves as asking too much when we bespeak for our suggestions a candid hearing.

A. B. CABANISS,
JO BELL,
W. H. BROWN.

INSTITUTE FOR THE

Mississippi Institute for the Deaf and Dumb

1857		Dr.
Feb. 11.	To amount on hand as per last Report of Jno. T. Hull, late Treasurer	$231 35
" 13.	" amount received from Treasury Department on requisition of Gov McRae	3,500 00
" 20.	" amount received from same Department on account of exchange of property, and improvements	5,000 00
" 23.	" amoumt received from A. Raley Tuition fees	75 00
Oct. 29.	" amount received from Treasury Department on requisition of Gov. McRae, for supplies &c	3,500 00
		$12,306 35
To balance on hand		$4,342 60
From which deduct amount of Fund as yet not disbursed for Exchange of Property and Improvement		498 75
		$3,843 85

DEAF AND DUMB.

In account with the State of Mississippi.

1857.				Cr.
By am't disburs'd for	Furniture,	to Nov. 1, '57		$97 63
" "	Stationery,	"		56 88
" "	Bedding,	"		40 45
" "	Supplies,	"		1,273 42
" "	Servant Hire,	"		228 83
" "	Salaries,	"		1,388 05
" "	Imp'vem'ts and Ex'ge of Prop'y,	"		4 501 25
" "	Clothing,	"		141 36
" "	Incidental Exp'ses	"		176 38
" "	M'd'l Attend'ce,	"		59 50
By balance				4 312 60
				$12 306 35

Jackson, November 1st, 1857.

W. H. BROWN,
Sec'y Board Trustees Miss. D. & D. Institute.

REPORT

OF THE

STATE COMMISSIONER.

STATE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
November 14, 1857.

To His Excellency, John J. McRae,
Governor of the State of Mississippi.

I have the honor to submit to your consideration the following statement of the transactions of my office, since the date of my last report.

By an arrangement with John Duncan, in behalf of Robert J. Walker, I have received from him the sum of $12,340 78 in bonds and coupons, issued by the State, for the benefit of the Planters' Bank, leaving a balance of $252 72 due the 1st of December next, which, I have no doubt, will be promptly paid. These sums, together with $3,130 paid previously to my predecessor, the Hon. Samuel Matthews, make the whole amount, principal and interest, agreed upon to be paid by said Walker, under compromise with said Matthews.

Under compromise, with the approval of the Governor and Attorney-General, I have received from Thomas Graves, the sum of $500.

Under compromise with Arnold Russell, with like approval, I have received also $500.

The accompanying tables, marked A, B, and C, will show the whole amount of my receipts, expenditures and payments into the treasury since the date of my last report.

All of which is respectfully submited.

ROBERT JOSSELYN,
STATE COMMISSIONER.

[DOCUMENT A.]

SEMINARY FUND.

RECEIPTS.	DOLS.	CTS.
Balance on hand at date of last report	2	25
From Pearce Noland, Jr.	160	54
" Arnold Russell	500	00
" W. D. Smith	866	00
" Pearce Noland	157	50
" W. F. Batley	2,406	00
" Henry T. Ellett, Attorney for Fund	4,726	25
Total	8,818	54
	8,815	29
Balance on hand	3	25

EXPENDITURES.	DOLS.	CTS.
Paid J. T. Sims, for acknowledgement of deed		75
Paid J. T. Sims, Clerk for acknowledgment of deed		75
Paid into the treasury, as per voucher filed	8,813	79
Total	8,815	29

[DOCUMENT B.]

SINKING FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand at date of last Report.....	$267 05
From M. G. Norman..cash.....	60 00
From Jon Duncan, on account of R. J. Walker's indebtedness in Bonds and Coupons.....	1,920 00
From Thomas Graves..cash.....	500 00
From Charles Shepard..cash.....	218 00
From M. G. Norman..cash.....	70 00
From John Duncan, on account of R. J. Walker's in debtedness in Bonds and Coupons.....	7,880 00
From Geo. W. Moody, in Bonds and Coupons.....	1,424 22
From John Duncan, on account of R. J. Walker's in debtedness in Bonds and Coupons.....	550 78
From John Duncan, on account of R. J. Walker's in debtedness in Bonds and Coupons.....	1,990 00
Total.....	$14,880 05
	$14,859 25
Balance on hand.....	$20 80

DOCUMENT B.—Continued.

SINKING FUND.

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Mims, Clerk, for acknowledgement of Deed..	$1 50
Paid J. T. Sims Clerk.....	75
Paid Geo. T. Swann, Clerk.....	4 00
Paid into the Treasury, as per Vouchers.....	14 853 00
Total.....	$14,859 25

[DOCUMENT C.]

TOWN LOT FUND.

RECEIPTS.	DOLS.	CTS.
From John D. Freeman, attorney, &c.	2,878	04
From H. G. C. Parker on compromise,	100	00
Total,	$2,978	04

[DOCUMENT C.—Continued.]

TOWN LOT FUND.

EXPENDITURES.	DOLS.	CTS.
Paid into the Treasury as per vouchers filed,.....	2,978	04
Total,.....	2,978	00

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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S REPORT.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
JACKSON, Oct. 28th, 1856.

His Excellency J. J. McRea:

DEAR SIR:—Enclosed is sent the Adj. General's Report, up to the present date.

I cannot, my good friend, close my official correspondence with you without tendering to you my heart felt thanks for your friendship in appointing me to the office I now fill.

In consequence of misfortune and the treachery of a confidential friend, the hand of poverty pressed heavily upon me, the necessaries of life were denied me until through your goodness, I received the appointment with which you have honored me; an act of friendship which will be most greatfully remembered during the balance of my life.

Sincerely wishing your Excellency all happiness and prosperity that the world can afford, I remain your Excellency's

Greatly obliged,
humble servant
and sincere friend,
CHA'S. B. GREEN.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
JACKSON, Miss., Oct. 28th, 1857.

His Excellency John J. McRea, Commander in Chief:

SIR:—The same apathy and want of spirit in organizing the militia of the State that was noticed in the last Report of the Adjutant General, still pervades the State.

In the 5 Military Divisions into which the State is divided, all the Maj. Generals are in Commission, as follows:

1st	Division,	James D. Cauldfield,	Commissioned	March 19,	1857
2d	"	M. Smith,	"	April 18,	"
3d	"	Richard H. Winter,	"	Dec. 26,	1856
4th	"	James P. Curry,	"	March 19,	1857
5th	"	James H. R. Taylor,	"	Aug. 4,	1854

There are only 2 Brigadier Generals in Commission:

2d Brigade, 2d Division, Jas. J. Shannon, Commissioned January, 19, 1857.

2d Brigade, 5th Division, A. Foster, Commissioned Feb. 28, 1854

There are seven Colonels, 2 Lieut. Cols. and 2 Majors only, in commission in the whole State:

2d	Regiment,	H. F. Bridewell, Col.,	commissioned	Jan. 15,	1857
		E. L. Coleman, Lt. Col.,	"	Apr. 4,	"
		J. M. Girauet, Maj.	"	"	"
4th	"	H. Chotard, jr., Col,	"	Feb. 8,	1854
11th	"	E. A. Miller, "	"	March 17,	"
23d	"	F. M. Wilbon	"	Feb. 8,	"
30th	"	Jas. Lowry "	"	" 9,	"
31st	"	B. F. Evans "	"	Nov. 8,	"
55th	"	N. C. Taylor "	"	" 15,	"
	"	H. D. McIntosh, Lt. Col.	"	" "	"
	"	J. P. Welsh, Maj.,	"	" "	"

There are no Captains or Lieutenants of Companies in commission except of Volunteer Companies.

The following Volunteer Companies have been organized, commissioned and the most of them, armed since the last report of the Adjutant General:

LIST OF THE VOLUNTEER COMPANIES.—NAMES AND RANK OF OFFICERS, &c., &c.

NAMES OF COMPANIES.	NAMES AND RANK OF OFFICERS.	DATE OF COMMISSIONS.	HOW ARMED	NO. OF MEM.
Vicksburg Sharpshooters.	W. H. Miller, Captain..... Wm. F. Gaines, 1st Lieut. ..... W. W. W. Wood, 2d Lieut..... E. Whaley, 3d Lieut.....	June, 14th, 1857	Percussion Rifles	60
Port Gibson Riflemen.	John G. Hastings, Captain..... T. S. Gibson, 1st Lieut..... R. H. Purdom, 2d Lieut..... E. B. Hoopes, 3d Lieut.....	Sept. 23d, 1857	Percussion Rifles	66
Monroe Guards.	E. Strong, Captain,..... T. L. Rogers, 1st Lieut..... A. Pollard, 2d Lieut..... J. A. Sykes, 3d Lieut.....	May 19th, 1857	Percussion Rifles	50
Noxubee Rifles.	E. R. Burt, Captain,..... G. T. Weir, 1st Lieut..... A. H. Bush, 2d Lieut..... J. H. Rivers, 3d Lieut.....	Sept. 23d, 1857	Percussion Rifles.	51

Attala Guards.	L. D. Fletcher, Captain..... J. A. Jackson. 1st Lieut..... J. J. Durham, 2d Lieut..... L. S. Terry, 3d Lieut.....	October 2d, 1857	Not yet armed from the State Arsenal.	67
Byhalia Rifle Guards.	R. L. Taggart, Captain..... G. D. Boggan, 1st Lieut..... R. Head, 2d Lieut..... J. O. Tyson, 3d Lieut.....	July 27th, 1857	Percussion Rifles.	63
Artillery Guards.	Wm. Delay, Captain..... B. L. Phipps, 1st Lieut..... C. S. Word, 2d Lieut..... G. H. McFarland, 3d Lieut.....	March 5th, 1857	One Bronze six pounder	50
Davis Light Dragoons.	J. R. Syles, Captain..... L. Nabors, 1st Lieut..... A. L. Scott, 2d Lieut..... R. Clarey, 3d Lieut.....	August 24th, 1857.	Not yet armed from the State Arsenal.	56
Lauderdale Rifles.	Wm. J. Daniels, Captain..... S. A. Welkins, 1st Lieut..... A. G. Lamb, 2d Lieut..... Wm. P. Evans, 3d Lieut.....	February, 4th, 1857	Percussion Rifles,	60

The State of Mississippi received from the General Government on acct. of her quota of arms due for the year 1856, the following arms and accoutrements:

125 Colt's Holster Pistols, 125 extra cones, screw drivers, bullet moulds and other usual accoutrements, and 125 Cavalry sabres, belts and plates. These arms were not received until March, 1857.

Four six pound bronze field pieces were ordered from the General Government, on account of the quota of arms due the State of Mississippi for the year 1857.

These have been received.

One of which was given to the Corporate authorities of the city of Natchez.

One to the corporate authorities of Yazoo City.

One to the corporate authorities of Vicksburg and the remaining one to the Artillery Guards at Oxford, Miss., for the use of the citizens of that place.

The balance of the quota of arms due the State of Mississippi for the year 1857, was received in 105 Percussion Rifles.

No field piece, or arms of any description, has been issued from the State Arsenal by the Quarter master General, without taking a Bond therefor, according to the Millitary Laws of the State.

All of which is respectfully submitted by your Excellency's

Ob't Servant,

CHA'S B. GREEN,

Adjutant & Quarter Master General, M. M.

REPORT

OF

THE OFFICERS

OF THE

LUNATIC ASYLUM.

To the Hon. Board of Trustees of
Mississippi State Lunatic Asylum.

GENTLEMEN :—The By-laws of this Institution make it obligatory upon the Superintendent to lay before you, annually, a full report of its operations; and having been recently called by perhaps, your too flattering kindness, to fill the vacancy in that office, created by the resignation of the former able and efficient incumbent, Dr. Wm. S. Langley, I would respectfully submit, for your consideration, the following, as the third annnal report:

	MALES.	FEMALES.	TOTAL.
Whole number of patients admitted since the opening of the Intitution, on the 8th of January, 1855, to the present date.....	93	57	150
Discharged during the year 1855.....	11	9	20
Admitted " " 1856.....	29	15	44
Discharged " " 1856	16	6	22
Admitted since the 1st of January, 1857	21	13	34
Discharged this year to date.....	18	7	25

AMONG THE DISCHARGED ARE RECORDED ALL WHO HAVE BEEN ADMITTED AND WHO ARE NOT NOW ON HAND.

	MALES.	FEMALES.	TOTAL.
Recovered	21	5	26
Improved	3	2	5
Unimproved		1	1
Died	8	9	17
Eloped	7	2	9
Removed	7	2	9
Grand total discharged	46	21	67
Remaining under treatment at this time	48	5	83
Whole number of charity patients rec'd			104
" " paying " "			46
Number of charity patients now in the Institution			67
Number of paying patients now in the Institution			16

PLACE OF NATIVITY.

Mississippi	40
Tennessee	17
N. Carolina,	13
S. Carolina	8
Alabama	12
Virginia	7
Georgia	6
Kentucky	2
Maryland	2
New Jersey	1
Texas	1
Ireland	13
Germany	5
Switzerland	4
Saxony	1
Not Known	18

PREDISPOSING CAUSES OF MENTAL ALBERATION SO FAR AS COULD BE ASCERTAINED.

Hereditary Tendency	13
Epelepsy	13
Domestic Troubles	8
Ill Health	6
Dissipation	3
Uterine Irritation	3
Pecuniary Troubles	2
Change of Life	2
Love	1
Exposure	1
Military Ambition	1
Paralysis	1
Yellow Feaver	1
Religious excitement	1
Blow on the head	1
Not known	39

NUMBER OF PATIENTS RECEIVED FROM EACH COUNTY.

Adams,	4	Leake	1
Amite	3	Lowndes	3
Attala	3	Madison	7
Bolivar		Marion	1
Calhoun	2	Marshall	2
Carroll	8	Monroe	1
Chickasaw		Neshoba	
Choctaw	3	Newton	1
Claiborne	4	Noxubee	4
Clark	1	Octibbeha	1
Coahoma	1	Panola	1
Copiah	3	Perry	
Covington	2	Pike	
DeSoto	2	Pontotoc	3
Franklin		Rankin	1
Green		Scott	1
Hancock	1	Simpson	1
Harrison		Smith	
Hinds	19	Sunflower	
Holmes	5	Tallahatchie	
Issaquena		Tippah	7
Itawamba	3	Tishomingo	5
Jackson		Tunica	
Jasper		Warren	18
Jefferson	1	Washington	1
Jones		Wayne	
Kemper	2	Wilkinson	3
Lafayette	4	Winston	2
Lauderdale		Yalobusha	1
Lawrence	1	Yazoo	6

FROM OTHER STATES.

Texas	3	Louisiana	1	Arkansas	1

OCCUPATION.

Farmers	43
Laborers	16
Overseers	5
Clerks	2
School teachers	2
Tailors	2
Carriage maker	1
Saddler	1
Shoe maker	1
Cabinet maker	1
Well digger	1
House carpenter	1
Ship carpenter	1
Merchant	1
Steamboat pilot	1
Organ grinder	1
Not known	1
Wife of carpenter,	9
Wife of sheemaker	1
Seamstress	3
Daughter of carpenter	1
Washerwoman	1
Having no occupation	54

DEGREE OF EDUCATION.

Very good	7
Good	26
Limited	92
None	21
Not known	4

RELIGIOUS BELIEF.

Baptist	24
Methodist	22
Presbyterians	7
Episcopalians	2
Christians	1
Roman Catholic	10
Lutheran	1
Jew	1
None	55
Not known	27

THE EXCITING CAUSES.

Dissipation	8
Domestic trouble	8
Exposure to sun	6
Disappointment in love	5
Eplepsy	4
Mastrubation	4
Fever	5
Blow on the head	3
Fracture of skull	1
Hysteria	2
Ill health	2
Derangement Catamania	1
Change of residence	1
Jealousy	1
Loss of property	1
Close application to study	1
Excessive use of Quinine	1
Child birth	1
Fright	2
Religion	2
Not known	91

FORM OF MENTAL DISORDER.

Mania	23
" Acute	8
" Chronic	16
" Periodical	16
" Epileptica	5
" Histeria	1
Monomania	38
Melancholia	28
Imbecility	1
Dementia	12
Idiocy	2

ACCOMPANYING BODILY DISORDER.

Hernia	3
Induralia testis	2
Contusions	2
Hydrocele	1
Paralysis	1
Uterine Irritation	1
Prolapsus Uteri	1
" Ani	1
Blind	1
Ulcer on leg	1
Tetter	1
Scurvy	1
Fistula in Ano	1
Enlargement of Tibia	1
Secondary Syphilis	1
Spinal Affection	1
None	139

By reference to the foregoing tables, it will be seen that fourteen counties out of the sixty in the State, have never been represented here, that some of the largest and most populous counties have sent but few patients, and taking the statistics of other States as our guide, we conclude that not one third of the insane of Mississippi have yet enjoyed the benefits of this noble charity, your attention is particularly called to this part of the subject, in consequence of the Legislature having passed an act requiring the expenses of bringing patients here to be defrayed out of the Asylum fund.

The number which we may reasonably conclude that will come foward in the next two years, before the Legislature will again assemble, will absorb a very large portion of the amount appropriated, in some cases as high as three hundred and twenty-five dollars have been charged for bringing a single patient, to prevent which, in future, it would be well for the legislature to require the rhspective counties from which the patients come, to defray the expenses of bringing them to the Asylum, the State on her part furnishing food, raiment, and all necessary attention, after they shall have been received here. The buildings which were required to supply the place of those destroyed by fire in the spring of 1856, are not yet finished, but are in a rapid state of completion, some further improvements are still required, and I would call your special attention to the condition of the water closets; the lead pipes which were intended to convey off the odor, have become corroded and we find it impossible to prevent a bad smell in the neighborhood of the closets, notwithstanding every precaution is taken, by resorting to frequent ablutions, I would suggest that new water closets be built, that cast iron pipes be used instead of lead, and that they be so arranged as to obtain a freedom ward ventillation, it will also be necessary to procure some four or five hundred feet of hose, for the protection of the building in case of fire, by attaching which to the large tank above, we might be able to stay the flames until we could bring the engine to work when water could be thrown freely on any part of the house.

Some outhouses are also required, such as tables &c., a part of the lumber for which is already on the premises; the grounds in front of the building, should have a light enclosure, and be set out with flowers and evergreens interspersed with walks, this would not only present an agreeable picture to the eye, but would be of absolute service to the patients, by affording them pleasant promenades and healthful employment in cultivating the shrubbery; the labor requisite to mgke this improvement would easily be performed by the patients themselves, proqided the materials were placed on the ground, many of the male patients have already done a consi2erable amount of labor in cleaning off the undergrowth, within the outward enclosure, and in moving away the rubbish, and grading around the buildings, while the females have been employed

in making up clothing, and various articles necessary to be used in the Dormitaries. Regular employment, both bodily and mentally, is a highly important remedial agent for the restoraton of the insane, and in this connection it would be well to call your attention to the want of reading material. Some Bibles, a few volumes of other books, with three or four newspapers, at present constitute the entire reading matter of the house.

To the editors of the True Witness, Mississippi Baptist and Mississippian, published in Jackson, and the Democratic Platform, published in Brandon, we would express many thanks for their kindness, in furnishing the Institution, gratutiously, with their valuable papers, and we hope before the expiration of another year to be placed under like obligations to numerous other publishers, it would also be well to get up, as early as practicable, a well selected miscellaneous library, so that when the weather is unfavorable, or at hours not allotted for out door exercise, the patients would have mental employment which would go far towards expelling the morbid hallucinations under which they might be laboring. Some minds are known to have been very much improved by an attack of insanity from the cause of reading which they undergo in a well appointed Asylum, having previously had but few opportunities for culture, and perhaps little taste for study. Many of our inmates would like to attend preaching regularly. We have a very neat Chapel but no Chaplain; some few Ministers have been kind enough to hold service occasionaly. Among these are Bishop Green and Rev. C. K. Marshall, to whom we would express our gratitude and again solicit like favors.

From an examination of the former part of this report, it may be supposed that tbe recoveries are small and the number of deaths large in proportion to the number of cases treated, as compared with other and older Institutions; but this may be accounted for from the fact that many of the cases were of long standing and were exhaustad by chronic mania before they were admitted. Of the recent cases fully eighty per cent. have recovered. During the spring and summer of this year there were some cases af Erysipelas in the house, bus the disease did not extend to a great number of patients, there have accordingly been cases of Diarrhæ and also of Dysentary, and recently one pretty severe case of Pneumonia, which is now recovering. Some few of the inmates have also been attacked with Influenza, which has prevailed so extensively over the country during the last few months, the cases were however mild and easily managed. At present we are pleased to say that the bodily health of the house-hold is good.

The Steward's account, showing the amount of expenditures for the support of the Institution during the current year is hereto appended.

As the Legislature will henceforth meet on the first Monday in November instead of January as heretofore, it would be well to

amend that portion of our By-laws which requires the annual meeting of the Trustees to take place on the second Tuesday in December. Too much praise cannot be awarded to my predecessor, Dr. Langley, for his untiring efforts in founding and in promoting the best interest of the Institution, since its organization, Dr. James Haley, the Assistant Physician, has attended well to his duties and deserves high commendation for his uniform gentle bearing towards the patients. The same may be said of the officers and attendants generally.

And, now gentlemen, hoping to receive frequent visits from you and to have your hearty co-operation in the management of the affairs of the Institution over which we are placed,

I am very Respectfully,
Your ob't servant,
WM. B. WILLIAMSON,
Superintendent.

JACKSON, Nov. 2nd, 1857.

TRUSTEES' REPORT.

To his Excellency John J. McRae
Governor of the State of Mississippi,

Sir: In compliance with the statute establishing the board of trustees of the Mississippi State Lunatic Asylum, the undersigned have the honor to present herewith a third annual report of the condition of that institute.

This board have purposed and adopted a code of by-laws and rules for the government of the institution, a copy of which is herewith submitted. These will be amended as time and experience may require.

We believe the officers and employees of the asylum have all performed their duties with fidelity to the public and kindness to the patients under their charge.

For the financial and sanitary conditution of the institution we refer to the report of the present medical superintendents werewith submitted, and request of the Legislature, for their better satisfaction, and that of the public, a personal inspection and examination of the buildings and grounds, and all its affairs.

The appropriation made by the last Legislature for rebuilding that portion of the asylum previously destroyed by fire, was entrusted by us to the hands of Dr. Wm. S. Langley then acting as medical suqerintendent. Having volunteered the performance of this additional duty without compensation therefor, and the Board knowing that Dr. Langley possessed superior knowledge of the necessary improvements required, we accepted of his services with gratitude and have not been dissappointed in the result. The materials have been purchased at the lowest rates for their quality —the work has progressed with reasonable rapidity—the money has been expended with a wise economy, keeping in full view the permanence of the structure, and the comfort of the patients — the state has been protected from the usual speculation of contractors bidding for and executing public work with a view to their own profit, and more has been accomplished than could have been resonably anticipated, from letting the contract to the lowest bidder. The lowest bidder is usually the most indifferent and irrisponsible contractor and not unfrequently fails in his contract, or requires additional compensation.

The large number of patients who have already sought the aid, and received relief from the asylum, demonstrate alike the urgent necessity that existed for its establishment, and the wisdom and philanthropy of the Legislature in its design.

The experience of all civilized communities has shown, that the insane mind cannot be successfully treated either in the family circle of the patient, or the ordinary hospitals for the diseased in body.

The intellect dethroned, spurns the affection of kindred—bids defiance to the usual control of men—scoffs at the laws of God—the least of mortals, it claims for itself immortality—despoiled of all the powers of reason it proclaims itself omniscient. Such a being is of the world "a thing apart"—to contend with it were madness—to war with it barbarous—it must have a relm of its own—a mansion peculiar to itself—"a good physician, that can minister to a mind diseased," and "raze out the written troubles of the brain."

We regret to say that Dr. Langly has resigned the office he filled so well. His reasons for so doing were conclusive with himself, and must therefore be satisfactory to the public.

His successor, elected by the Board, is Dr. Wm. B. Williamson, of Hinds county, Miss., a gentleman of high professional repute, and in all respects worthy of public confidence. We call the attention of your Excellency and that of the Legislature to the suggestions and recommendations contained in his report to this Board, and we earnestly appeal to the enlightened philanthropy and humanity of the Legislature, to make such liberal appropriations for the Assylum as will enable it to accomplish the design of its founders.

Mississippi is now assuming her proper position among the civilized States of the world. The insane, the deaf and dumb, and the blind, are all included in her humane philanthropy. Those smitten of God no longer wander for refuge to foreign dominions, bnt find a sanctuary and protection at home. Our Legislature, in this respect, is in accordance with the enlightened progress of a Christian age. We have barely entered upon the threshold of our duties. Much remains to be done, hut we are fully equal to the task. Our taxation is comparatively light, our population aud the value of our property are rapidly increasing. Our individual wealth is only exceeded by two or three American communities at most, and our future prosperity is as certain as the sunshine and the shower. Heaven has been bountiful, why should we not continue to be merciful?

We hope to be pardoned these few reflections, as appropriately pertaining to our official duties.

With great respect, we have the honor to be

Your obedient Servants,

JOHN D. FREEMAN.
D. N. BARROWS.
C. A. MOORE.
J. C. CARPENTER.
C. E. HOOKER.

Jackson, November 2d, 1857.

EXPENSES.

Abstract statement of Expenses of the Mississippi State Lunati Asylum, from January 1st to October 1st, 1857.

Provision account	$10,084 49
Freight	248 65
Drugs, Lime, Paints, and Oils	757 72
Salary of Officers, &c	10,427 50
Fuel account	129 94
Stationery and Books	4 25
Clothing account	1,943 28
Miscellaneous account	2,495 87
Repairs and Improvements	242 99
Postage account	24 97
	$26,359 66

C. A. MOORE, Sec'y.

Jackson, Nov. 2, 1857.

BY-LAWS,

RULES AND REGULATIONS

FOR THE

GOVERNMENT OF THOSE EMPLOYED IN THE CARE OF THE PATIENTS

OF THE

MISSISSIPPI STATE LUNATIC ASYLUM,

NEAR JACKSON.

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

The Board of Trustees shall choose one of their number President, who shall continue in office until the annual meeting next after he is chosen.

An Auditing Committee of three members shall be appointed, who shall hold their places until the annnal meeting next following their appointment.

The Trustees shall elect a Treasurer, who shall not be a member of the board, and shall hold his office during their pleasure.

An annual meeting shall be held on the second Tuesday in December in each year. Quarterly meetings shall be held on the Tuesday's next after the second Monday in each of the months of April, July and October; and monthly meetings on the second Monday of each month.

The Asylum shall be visited by the whole Board at the annual meetings, and by a majority at the quarterly meetings.

Special meetings may be called by the President or by any two members, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to cause notices of such meetings to be delivered to the members.

THE DUTIES OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

1. The Superintendent shall be the Chief Executive officer of the Asylum. He shall have the general superintendence of the buildings and grounds, the charge of the patients, the expenditures of the Institution, and the direction and control of all persons

therein subject to the regulation of the Board of Trustees.

2. He shall prepare a code of rules and regulations for the government of those employed in the care of the patients, or on the premises, which shall be printed, and a copy furnished to each person thus employed.

3. He shall visit all the patients daily, or learn their condition. He shall have the entire direction of their medical, moral, and dietetic treatment; and his instructions respecting them, are to be implicitly obeyed by all persons about the establishment.

4. He shall obtain as far as practicable, a complete history of every patient admitted into the Asylum, and shall keep, or cause to be kept for the use of the Institution, a register of the same, and as full a record of the subsequent treatment and results, as he may deem likely to promote the interest of science and benefit the insane.

5. He shall receive and answer, or cause to be answered, all communications respecting the Asylum; and shall file all letters thus received, and keep, in a book provided for the purpose, copies of all letters written in answer thereto.

6. Subject to the general instructions of the Board of Trustees, he shall determine what attendants and other assistants are necessary to be employed, and their respective places and duties, and shall arrange with them their rate of monthly wages.

7. At each visit of the Trustees, he shall exhibit the records of the Asylum, and at the quarterly meetings, he shall give a statement of its condition; at each monthly meeting he shall exhibit all the records of the Institution, the general state of the Institution, the names of persons received and removed, with such suggestions and remarks as he may deem useful; and at the annual meeting of the Board he shall give a tabular view of the Institution for the year, deduced from the records of the same.

DUTIES OF THE ASSISTANT PHYSICIAN.

1. The Assistant Physician shall have charge of the shop, which he shall see is always kept in proper order, and shall prepare and superintend the administration of the medicine.

2. He shall attend the Physician in his regular morning visits, and shall also visit all the patients each evening, shall carefully note their condition, and visit such as are under treatment as much oftener as may be necessary.

3. He shall see that all the directions of the Physician are faithfully executed, and shall promptly report all cases of neglect, or abuse, on the part of the attendants.

4. He shall carefully study the character and peculiarities of the patients, make himself intimately acquainted with their disorder, exert over them all the moral influence in his power, and direct their exercise and amusements.

5. He shall, at the request of the superintendent, keep a record of the cases, and perform all other services in the medical depart- which may be required.

6. He shall receive company and conduct them through the Asylum, when the Stewart is not present.

7. He shall exercise the duties of the Superintendent whenever the latter may be absent.

DUTIES OF THE STEWARD.

1. The Stewart shall execute a bond, with sufficient sureties, to be approved by the Trustees, in the penalty of three thousand dollars, conditional, that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his office, and pay over and account for all monies belonging to the Asylum which shall come into his hands; which bond shall be executed to the Trustees and filed among the papers of the Asylum.

2. Under the direction of the Superintendent, the Steward shall purchase furniture, fuel, stores, and other necessary articles; and shall be responsible for the economical use and expenditure of the same.

3. He shall keep clear, methodical, and exact accounts of all receipts and expenses, and of all charges on account of any patients, and submit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the Committee of Auditors, on the first Monday in each month, and as much oftener as shall be required.

4. He shall, from time to time, as may be directed by the Superintendant or Auditing Committee, furnish to the Auditor all the accounts due the Asylum, which when audited and collected, he shall deliver to the Treasurer and take his receipt therefor.

5. In the name and behalf of the Superintendent, and by his direction, in each case, and not otherwise, he shall hire attendants, and agree with them for their wages, and by like direction shall dismiss them when unfaithful, negligent, or incompetent, and shall see their accounts, and perform such other duties, in relation to the internal management and government of the Asylum, as shall be required of him by the Superintendent. He shall constantly observe the conduct of the attendants and servants, and see that in all respects they do their duty, and forthwith report to the Superintendent any instance of misconduct or negligence of any attendant.

ADMISSION OF VISITORS.

The following rules for the admission of visitors are appended, that they may be familiar to all employed in the institution.

Visitors are not admitted before 10 o'clock A. M., after sunset, nor on the Sabbath. They are not admitted on the afternoon of Saturday, unless on special business with the attending managers, or one of the officers of the house.

All parts of the hospital not occupied by patients may be shown and explained during the hours for the admission of visitors.

No visitor unless in company with a manager, can be taken into the wards without permission from the Physician of the hospital, or in his absence, from the Assistant Physician; and when visitors are allowed to enter the wards, they will always be accompanied by one of these officers, or by the Stewart or Matron.

Visitors are not to pass through the grounds or hospital, without special permission, and they are requested not to stand near the windows, or to converse with the patients from the outside of the building.

As this hospital cannot be allowed to become a resort for idle curiosity, it is hoped that the friends of patients, and all others will carefully avoid prolonging their visits unnecessarily.

It is expressly forbidden to furnish any inmate of this Asylum with tobacco in any form; or to deliver to, or receive from, a patient, any letter, parcel, or package, without the knowledge and approbation of the Physician.

Funds for the use the patients are to be placed in the hands of the Stewart, to be used under the direction of the Physician.

When visitors so far forget what is due to to the feelings of the afflicted and their friends as to make improper remarks to patients, or to institute indelicate inquiries, all persons will be careful to discountenance such a course of conduct, and abstain from mentioning the name of patients, their peculiarities, or any other circumstances respecting them, a general knowledge of which might be painful to any persons connected with them. None of us would be willing to have our own friends, if laboring under insanity, exhibited to strangers, and we are bound in honor, as far as possible, to protect others from a like exposure.

No visitors unless friends of the officers, are to remain inside of the enclosure after dark without speceal permission.

6. It shall be the duty of the Steward to be in the presence of the male patients as much as possible, to see that they are kindly treated, that their clothes are taken care of, that their food is properly served and distributed, and that they take the same in a proper manner; that the rooms, passages, yards and other apartments under his care, are kept clean and in good order, and properly warmed and ventilated; and that the male attendants observe his orders and directions, and in all respects do their duty. He shall receive visitors, give them all suitable information, and shew them such parts of the buildings and grounds as are open to their examination.

7. It ihall be the duty of the Steward to see to the opening and closing of the house, morning and evening, that the attendants and servants rise and commence business immediately after the ringing of the bell, and that they retire in proper season at night.

8. It shall be his duty to devote his whole time to the Institu-

tion, to preserve order in the house, and faithfulness amongst assistants, to see that all the regulations here adopted shall be fully put in practice.

THE DUTIES OF THE MATRON.

1. It shall be the duty of the Matron to look carefully to the female patients, to be with them as much as possible, to direct the nurses in their duty; to see that the inmates are kindly treated, that their food is properly served and distributed, that their apartments are kept clean and in order, properly warmed and ventilated, and that the female attendants in all respects do their duty.

2. It shall be the duty of the Matron, also, to superintend the kitchen, the cooking, the washing and ironing, and take care of the clothes and bedding, and see that they are always clean and in order.

3. It is required of the Matron that she will devote her whole time to the Institution, and spare no effort to promote the comfort and recovery of the inmates.

4. She shall look into every department frequently, and see to the good order of the whole house. She shall direct the labor and amusement of the female patients, under the direction of the Superintendant, and spend as much time with them as her other duties may allow.

THE DUTIES OF THE TREASURER.

1. The Treasurer shall give bond in the sum of thirty thousand dollars for the faithful performance of the duties of his office, with such securities as shall be satisfactory to the Board of Trustees.

2. He shall keep a clear and methodical record of all monies received or paid out, and shall settle with the Trustees quarterly, or oftener if required. He shall pay all drafts when presented, if properly drawn, by the Steward and countersighed by the Medical Superintendent of the Asylum, or on the warrant of the President of the Board of Trustees.

DUTIES OF THE BOOK-KEEPER.

1. The Superintendent may annually appoint, with the advice and consent of the Trustees, a Book-keeper, who shall keep the regular books of the Asylum in a proper manner, under the direction of the Superintendent. He shall keep all vouchers and other papers, and shall see that the statements of receipts and expenditures by the Steward are correctly made, and that the proper vouchers are filed with his receipts and disbursements. He shall also furnish such reports to the Committee of Auditors as may be required, and do and perform such other writing on account of the

Asylum, as may be required of him by the Medical Superintendent, Trustees and Committee of Auditors. He shall, also, be Secretary of the Board of Trustees, and keep their minutes under under their direction.

2. All the books and accounts shall be open to the inspection and examination of the Superintendent, Trustees and Committee of Auditors.

DUTIES OF THE AUDITORS.

It shall be the duty of the Auditors to audit all accounts of the Asylum, both debits and credits. They shall endorse upon each account the number and date, and shall write "audited" thereon, and report to each quarterly meeting of the Board the state of the accounts of the Institution, as presented by the books of the same.

DUTIES OF THE SUPERVISORS.

1. The supervisors of the respective wings are bound to see that the rules contained in this code are faithfully carried out in every particular; that the attendants perform their duties properly, and that all the patients are made as comfortable at all times as circumstances will permit.

2. They will very frequently pass through the different wards, especially those containing excited patients, and occasionally through the pleasure grounds, and will aid and encourage the attendants in their efforts to interest, amuse and employ the patients in every way in their power.

3. They will especially attend to the prevention of disturbances among the patients, to the preservation of order and quiet in the house, and in all things assist in carrying out the general views and instructions of the Physician in reference to the treatment of the patients.

4. They will promptly report all irregularities or improper conduct or unfaithfulness in the performance of duties that come under their notice, will give advice to the attendants, and point out any neglect that they may discover in any of the wards.

DUTIES OF THE ATTENDANTS.

1. Intercourse with Patients.—In all their intercourse with the patients, the attendants are to treat them with respect and civilty, are to address them in a mild and gentle tone of voice, and avoid violence and rudeness of every kind. All civil questions are to be properly answered. All reasonable requests are to be promptly attended to. They are to keep cool under every provocation; are never to scold, threaten, or dictate authoritatively; but whenever they desire anything done by a patient, are make a request in a respectful manner.

Force, unfortunately, has sometimes to be used in every institution for the insane; but tact and kindness render its employment comparatively rare, and whenever it must be resorted to, the manner of using it may be made to take away nearly all its offensiveness. A pleasant smile, a cheerful, kind and respectful manner and sympathizing words, will go far to convince even the most excited patient that what is done is from good motives, and that he has little to fear from those around him.

The opposition of patients, and much of their violence, very often arise from delusions that lead them to suppose that they are to be injured in some way; and every attempt either to put them in a room, to give food, baths or medicine, or to do anything about their persons, if made with angry looks, cross words or violence, only tends to confirm their false ideas and make their resistance the more obstinate and determined.

The truth of these views is unquestionable, and is confirmed daily by convalescent patients, who are able to describe their motives and feelings when highly excited.

Under no circumstances will no attendant be excused for striking a blow, or laying violent hands upon a patient, unless in the clearess case of self-defence, or to provent his committing serious injury to himself or others.

Attendants are never to manifest fear of any patient, but, while treating them with firmness and decision, at the same time it must be with mildness and kindness.

They must take every proper opportunity to inspire the patients with respect for and confidence in the officers, and to convince them of the true character of the Institution, and of its leading object, the promotion of the restoration and comfort of its patients.

They are promptly to interfere when patients are disposed to quarrel, and by kind words, and engaging their attention with other objects, prevent difficulty. A kind word fitly spoken will prevent many a scene of excitement, just as a harsh remark, an angry look, an unkind allusion, or a rude act, on the part of an attendant, may be the origin of difficulties which will last for hours.

They are to carefully avoid talking to patients on the subject of their delusion, or to others in the hearing of the patients, and, as much as lies in their power, they should endeavor to prevent others from doing so.

They must never allow patients to be laughed at, ridiculed, or harshly spoken to on account of their delusions or the peculiarities of their behavior. No greater proof of a want of correct feeling could be given than indulging in levity in reference to the afflictions of our fellow-beings.

Deception is always to be avoided, and particular care is to be taken that promises are not made that cannot be performed.

They are not to furnish writing material or books to the patients, nor make purchases for them, without consulting the physician.

All letters, parcels, or packages (except clothing) to or from patients are to pass through the hands of the physician. When patients have tobacco, or forbidden articles of any kind, it is the duty of the attendant promptly to report it.

All damage done by patients is to be entered on a book provided for the purpose, and through the supervisor delivered to the Stewart at the end of every week.

2. Supervision of Patients and Wards.—Each attendant is responsible for every patient under his or her care, and is expected to be able at any moment to say where each individual can be found.

If any one is discovered to be missing, report is to be immediately made to the Supervisor and one of the officers, and the proper search instantly instituted.

An attendant allowing a patient to go out of a ward is considered responsible for his or her safe return.

One attendant must always be present with the patients in each ward, unless express directions are given to the contrary. When it is necessary to leave, except for a temporary purpose, it must be known that a substitute fills the place.

When patients remain much in their own rooms, the attendants are to find reasons for frequently calling to see how they are engaged, or if they require any particular attention.

On certain occasions, one attendant may guard two contiguous wards for a very short period—but not otherwise, unless by special direction of one of the physicians.

3. Morning Duties.—The attendants will rise punctually at the ringing of the bell, and take charge of their wards before the night watch goes off duty. They will then open the chamber doors, give the patients a kind greeting, at least wish them "good morning," and see that they are properly dressed, well washed, and have their hair and clothes neatly brushed.

Immediately after opening the doors, the attendants will remove the chamber utensils, never without being covered, from the rooms, and have the bedding laid on chairs for airing. They will then commence putting the rooms and corridors in good order, and, after the beds and bedding have been sufficiently aired, have them properly made up for the day.

Every part of the wings is to be prepared for inspection at the physician's visit, which will be commenced not later than eight o'clock every morning.

4. Cleanliness and Ventilation of the Wards.—Every part of the wards is to be kept scrupulously neat, clean, and well ventilated at all times.

Whenever any unpleasant effluvium is discovered, the cause of it is to be searched for and promptly removed, day or night.

When any part of a parlor, chamber, or hall is accidentally soiled, it is to be cleaned at once.

Whenever a bed or the furniture of a room has been disarranged, it is to be promptly put in order.

The halls and parlors must be swept as often in each day as is necessary to keep them perfectly clean.

If an attendant from one ward, in passing through another, spills oil, medicine, &c., he is bound at once to clean the place.

Unless directions are given to the contrary, the chambers and corridors are to be scrubbed at least once a week, and as much oftener as may be required.

The spittoons are to be kept clean, and frequently emptied. The water closets, urinals, &c., are to be carefully watched, and prevented from impairing the purity of the air in the ward.

Nothing is clean enough if it can be made cleaner.

All beds that are soiled are to be removed from the wards immediately after the patients rise in the morning—and after breakfast clean ones are to be substituted. If only wet, the wet straw or hair is to be removed, and boiling water poured through the soiled part, after which it is to be thoroughly dried before being returned to the chamber.

A clean sheet and pillow case are to be put on each bed at least once a week, and when the spreads become soiled they are to be sent to the wash-house.

When patients wish to lie down during the day, they are to go to their own rooms for the purpose—and the attendants will see that the bedding is not soiled, and that it is put in order as soon as they get up. The health of many patients requires this indulgence every day.

5. Meals and Giving Food.—The attendants will see that the patients are always up and ready for breakfast, at the prescribed hour. They will carefully observe that they pass to and from the table in good order, returning directly to the wards when they leave the dining-room.

When patients take their meals with the officers in the centre building, they are to be accompanied thereto, unless they have the full privilege of the grounds.

Those patients who take their meals in their own rooms, or at a table in the ward, are to be served promptly, and especial care is to be taken that their food is brought to them warm, and in good order. and, whenever necessary, an attendant is to remain with them while they are eating.

Care is to be taken that no knife, fork, or other article that could be used as a weapon, is left in the ward, or taken from the tables. When any such instrument is missed, prompt measures must be taken for its recovery.

The attendants will not leave their wards for the patients' meals, nor for their own, till the ringing of the bell to call them for these purposes. They will return promptly to their wards after finishing their own meals.

The Steward and Matron will visit, as often as possible, all the dining-rooms, during the hours for meals, and also have a supervision of the mode in which patients have their meals served to them in the wards, or in their rooms. All deficiences or wants are to be promptly reported to these officers, and their instructions on these points are to be strictly attended to.

Patients are never to be forced to take food but in the presence of one of the Physicians, the Steward or Matron, or Supervisor—and never but by the express direction of one of the Physicians.

6. Administration of Medicine.—The trays containing the medicine cups will be called for at the office by the Supervisor, or such person as may be indicated by the Physician, half an hour before breakfast and dinner, and at 7 o'clock P. M. The attendants will receive their trays as they are carried through their respective wards, administer the medicine, see that it is all properly taken, wash the cups, and have the trays ready to be sent back by the individual who calls for them when returning to the office. If there has been any difficulty in taking the medicine, the attendants will report the fact to the person carrying the trays, who will make a verbal report to the Assistant Physician, or a register of it on a book which he will leave at the office on his return.

The utmost gentleness is to be used in giving medicine, and every proper means employed to induce the patient to take it willingly. When it is positively refused, and the Physician believes its administration important, either the Assistant Physician, Steward, Matron, or Supervisor, must be present, before any force can be used.

When the attendants suppose any mistake has occurred in the medicine sent, or when a patient complains of being sick, or having any unusual symptoms, the medicine should be retained in the cup till one of the physicians can be seen upon the subject.

Any striking or unexpected effect in the operation of medicine is to be promptly reported.

When a patient complains of being sick, or is supposed to be so, the fact should be reported without delay to one of the Physicians.

The person carrying the medicine from the office cannot select a substitute, on any occasion, without the consent of one of the Physicians.

7. Bathing.—Unless a special exemption is made by the Physician, every patient will take a *warm bath* once a week. The temperature to be such as is most grateful to the patient.

Unless otherwise specially directed, *hot baths*, administered for medical purposes, will be given at a temperature of ninety-eight degrees, as shown by the thermometer, and this temperature is to be kept up by the addition of hot water as may be required. While in these baths, the patients are to have a towel frequently wrung out of cold water, kept constantly on the head. Where it

can conveniently be arranged, immediately before retiring to bed is the best hour for giving this kind of bath. When not otherwise directed, and the patients exhibit no weakness, they should remain in the bath thirty minutes. If the patient appears weak, or complains of any unusual symptoms, he should be taken out of the bath, and promptly placed in bed. When these baths are ready for use, the Supervisor should be informed, that he may be present. Mustard *foot baths* should be used at as high a temperature as the patient can comfortably bear, and the addition of hot water will occasionally be required to keep up the temperature. From one to two tablespoonfuls of mustard should be put in each bucket of water. The feet should be kept in the water not less than twenty-five minutes. These baths should be taken immediately before going to bed.

8. Shaving.—The shaving of patients is to be done by the attendants in each ward at stated intervals, and patients who desire to be shaved more frequently are to be gratified in this particular. Great care is to be taken that no injury is done with the razors, all of which are to be carefully kept by the attendants. When the Physician has allowed a patient to shave himself, an attendant must always be present, and no other patient in the room at the time.

9. Walking out with Patients.—It is desirable that every patient not too feeble, or too sick, should walk out about the grounds at least once in each morning, and once in each afternoon.

Immediately after the Physician's morning visit, in suitable weather, one attendant in each ward should prepare to go out with as many patients as it is proper to take at once—the other attendants remaining to do the work of the ward. Upon the return of the first company, a second should go out, and so on till all in the ward have had the proper amount of exercise. In the afternoon, the same plan should be adopted and continued till near tea time.

When walking out with patients, the attendants will as far as possible consult their wishes, in regard to the direction of the walk, &c.,—will be vigilant to keep them together and prevent their strolling—take care that those from different wards miss as little as possible, and that no more are taken in one company than can properly be attended to.

When patients' habits are careless, the attendants will see that they do not lie on the ground, or improperly expose themselves to the sun, &c.

Attendants, when out with patients, will avoid entering into conversation with each other, reading, &c., by which their proper supervision may be prevented.

No patient can remain out after tea in summer, nor after sunset in winter, without special permission from the Physician.

All patients going out to walk beyond the yards must be accompanied by an attendant, unless the Physician has given them the

privilege of the grounds. Those having this privilege are expected always to be punctual at meals and in returning to the wards—are to avoid entering the centre building or basement story, or remaining standing about the gateway, or on the pathway leading from it to the centre.

If any patient, having the privilege of the grounds, or absent by special permission, does not return at the appointed hour, the attendant in charge will report the fact to any of the officers, and ascertain the reason therefor.

Patients are not to be taken upon the *dome* without special permission.

When outside with patients, attendants will be especially careful to avoid crowds, railroads, and all other dangerous places. They will strictly avoid paying any visits when they have patients with them, or entering any tavern or house for any purpose.

The Physician alone gives the privilege of the grounds, or permission to patients to pay visits at home or elsewhere.

10. Patients at Work and Out-Door Attendants.—Such patients as are deemed suitable will be allowed by the Physician to go out to work, under the care of the out-door attendants, gardener or farmer; but no one is to be taken out of the wards for this purpose, unless some general permission of the kind has been previously given by this officer. The attendants will take especial care that the patients do not engage in improper kinds of labor, and that they do not overwork themselves.

These patients must always be kept under observation, and when a strong disposition to escape is manifested, they must be constantly near the attendant.

No patient should be taken out of a ward to work, or for other purposes, by an officer or by any other person, without mentioning the fact to one of the attendants.

All attendants are expected to go out and work *with* patients, whenever it is deemed desirable for them to do so; and when thus engaged, they will carefully avoid every appearance of superintending the patients, instead of working with them, but should induce them to labor by persuasion and example, and not by giving orders to them.

11. Retiring at Night.—Patients are not to retire before eight o'clock P. M., without permission, unless in cases of sickness or fatigue. After the bell rings at 8½ P. M. patients *may* retire in every part of the house. Those in the first and second wards may remain up afterwards, according to their wishes, so that they retire in time to allow the attendants to close their doors at half-past nine.

Attendants, as well as patients, are expected to be in their rooms at a quarter before ten o'clock, and after ten o'clock no light can be kept burning in any room, unless in case of sickness. In each ward, however, one light will be kept burning in the hall, to be

used in cases of emergencies.

After patients have commenced retiring, all persons are to be careful to avoid making a noise of any kind that might disturb those who are in bed.

Where patients lodge in a different ward from that in which they pass the day, it is the duty of the attendant having them in charge during the day to take them to their rooms and see them comfortably in bed, unless otherwise directed; and it will also be the duty of the attendant of the ward in which they sleep to see them up and dressed in the morning, and returned in seasonable time to the ward from which they came the previous evening.

Before closing the door, the attendant should wish the patient a good night, and be certain that he is actually in the room. The door is then to be locked and tried, to ascertain that the bolt has properly slipped.

No patient's door is ever to be left unlocked at night, without special permission from the Physician being given to the attendants of the ward and to the night watch.

12. Seclusion of Patients in their Rooms.—Whenever a patient becomes so noisy or so violent that the attendants, after trying all proper means, believes it necessary to place him in a private room, he should provide such assistance as will convince the patient that resistance will be useless. It must then be done in the most mild and gentle manner possible. When the patient is in the room, the attendants should sit down quietly by him, and calmly tell him why he has been placed there, and that he will be released as soon as he is able to control himself. No matter how unreasonable the patient appears, this should be done. Under no circumstances can it be justifiable to force a patient into a room, and suddenly close the door, without a word of explanation.

A room having a wire or close shutter, and if possible a wicket door, is always to be selected for the seclusion of an excited patient. As soon as the patient is in the room, the fact is to be stated to one of the Physicians, or a memorandum of it left on the office slate.

Where it is necessary that the patients should be secluded in their own rooms, the attendants should be careful to see them frequently, to ascertain that they have every thing proper that can minister to their comfort, and to know in what manner they are occupied.

When a patient is very violent, one person on each side taking an arm, and a third at his back, can almost always convey any ordinary individual to his room, or remove him from ward to ward, with but little difficulty or injury to any one.

13. Restraining Apparatus.—The use of restrianing apparatus is productive of so many and such serious evils, and is now so nearly abolished in all well-conducted Institutions for the insane, that it will not be permitted to be applied here in any case, except

by the express direction of the Physician of the Institution, or, in case of his absence from the premises, by that of the Assistant Physician.

Seclusion to a private room, and the personal care of attendants, must be relied on till the Physician can be found, and his directions in reference to future proceedings given. It is, in most cases, much better for one or two attendants to sit by a patient for several hours than to put on any restraining apparatus, although the latter may in very rare cases ultimately be necessary, and even beneficial.

Whenever patients are fastened on the bed by the apparatus used for that purpose, or when their hands are confined in any way, the attendants must never forget that, thus situated, they require constant attention, as they are unable to assist themselves, and may thus easily get into habits that will afterwards give great trouble and annoyance.

14. Escape.—The escape of patients is always exceedingly annoying, and although such events will occasionally occur, it must never be allowed to be from neglect.

Patients are more apt to escape when passing from one part of the building to another, or when allowed to pass out for some particular purpose—or if near a crowd, or in the streets of a city—or about twilight. At such times and in such places, therefore, they must be particularly watched.

An attendant's eye should always be kept on a patient known to be disposed to escape.

When it is clearly made out that a patient has escaped from the carelessness or neglect of an attendant, the expense of recovering the patient will be charged to the attendant, at the discretion of the Physician.

When a patient is found to be missing, a search should at once be instituted where the individual was last seen, and if any traces are discovered, pursuit should be instantly made. But, if not discovered at once, the fact should be promptly communicated to one of the Physicians, or other officers or supervisors, and any other attendant that may be met with. The officers will then give directions what course is to be adopted to recover the patient. The attendant following the patient should, if possible, leave word in what direction he proposes going, and should know that some one takes special care of the patients he leaves. When a patient is brought back, no offensive allusion is to be made to the escape; but he is to be treated in all respects as if nothing of the kind had occurred, except that he is to be watched more carefully in future.

15. Suicidal Cases.—When patients have a disposition to commit injury on their own persons, all experience goes to show that there is no certain security but by constant watching. Care should be taken to place out of reach all the means that would be likely to be resorted to, and the patient must be kept constantly in sight, treated with great kindness and sympathy, and his attention

drawn as much as possible from the subject. It must never be forgotten that, in a bad case, a single minute of neglect may be as serious in its effects as a whole hour.

Before placing such a patient in his room, it should be carefully inspected; and when the clothing is taken off, it should be examined or removed entirely from the chamber.

Especial care is to be taken of such patients about twilight, or while others are going to or passing from meals, or to or from walks, and at all times when the general attention is likely to be distracted, as these are the hours when attempts are most likely to be made.

In case an attendant should ever discover that such an accident has occurred, he must maintain his coolness, give prompt relief if any can be rendered, then lock the door, quietly inform one of the Physicians or other officers, the Supervisor, or another attendant—but give no alarm that would excite other patients, or do anything that would lead them to discover what has occurred.

16. Dangerous Weapons.—Especial care must be taken at all times that patients do not become possessed of knives, razors, or dangerous weapons of any kind. Frequent search for such articles must be made in the wards, and when the existence of any is suspected, every possible means must be used to discover them.

Anything seen lying about the wards, yards or grounds that might prove dangerous in the hands of a violent patient, should be carefully and promptly removed.

17. Prohibited Articles.—It is strictly prohibited to patients to use tobaco in any form, while under the care of this Institution, unless by express permission of the Medical Superintendent. It is a filthy habit, and experience has satisfactorily shown that it is injurious to most persons, and to many, excessively so.

No patient is to have in his possession any razor, knife, or other article that in his own hands or the hands of others might be used as a dangerous weapon.

Patients are not to receive or forward any letters, parcels, or packages of any kind, without the knowledge and approbation of the Physician.

18. Patients' Clothing.—The clothing of every *new* patient is to be examined at the earliest opportunity after admission, to ascertain whether there are knives, weapons of any kind, money, tobacco, or other forbidden articles upon his person. If any are found, they are to be promptly given to the Steward for safe keeping.

The clothing of a patient is not to be taken into a ward until it has been examined, and a list of articles taken by the Steward or Matron. All new clothing sent to a patient should pass through the same hands, and be registered in the same way, before it is used. No unmarked clothes should go to wash, or be used by a patient.

The attendants will carefully see that patients change their clothes regularly, and all reasonable requests in reference to changing clothes are to be gratified.

Soiled clothes are never to be allowed to remain in a patient's room, but are at once to be put among those to be sent to the wash-house.

The clothing of patients is to be kept neat and clean, and well brushed at all times. If buttons are found to be missing, or holes are seen in a garment, it is to be taken at once to the seamstress to be repaired. If suspenders or other necessary articles in the wards are found wanting, they are to be asked for till they are furnished. Shoes are to be kept tied—stockings gartered—clothing buttoned or fastened, at all hours and on all patients.

When patients wet their clothing, they are to be changed as often as may be necessary to make them dry and comfortable, even if every hour. The wet part of their clothing may be dipped in hot water and dried, but is not to be returned to the ward without undergoing this process.

Pains are to be taken to induce patients to be neat in their dress, to wear slippers when within doors, and in wet weather to change their shoes after walking out.

19. Visiting between Wards.—As the duties of each attendant are confined almost exclusively to a single ward, they can have but rare calls in any other, unless specially directed by the proper authority to go there.

In going to and from the centre building, they will avoid passing through wards not necessary in their way.

Patients, too, are not to visit from ward to ward, without permission from one of the Physicians—and no patient is to be transferred from one ward to another except by special direction of the Physician, unless some high excitement may induce the Assistant Physician to change a patient temporarily.

30. Leave of Absence.—To those who perform their duties faithfully, it is wished to allow as much relaxation and as much absence as is consistent with the kind of service required, and the welfare of the patients will permit; but, whenever the absence of attendants is deemed likely to be prejudicial to the patients, they are expected to remain at their posts.

Leave of absence is granted only by the Physician. If he is absent more than an entire day, the Assistant Physician is to be applied to, but not otherwise, except under extreme circumstances.

The usual time for absence will be from 1½ P. M., or after the patients' and attendants' dinner is entirely finished, till the ordinary hour of return in the evening.

Promptness in returning at the hour up to which leave of absence was given is always to be carefully observed. If unforeseen circumstances positively prevent this for any length of time, word should be sent to the Asylum.

Without special permission, no one is to leave the premises at any time, or for any purpose, unless in walking with patients, till after the patients begin to retire at 8 P. M. They will be careful always to be inside the enclosure at half-past nine, and in their own chambers at a quarter before ten. In returning to their rooms in the evening, care must be taken to avoid disturbing those who have retired, either by the noise of walking or loud conversation.

An attendant should not leave his charge during the day, for any purpose, without the consent of one of the officers or of the Supervisor.

Permission should always be obtained to leave the ward before going out of it to see any visitor, and the absence should then be short; and visitors are never to be taken through the house or grounds without permission.

On the Sabbath, leave of absence is always supposed to be for the purpose of attending Divine worship. If granted for the morning, the attendants are expected to return before dinner; if in the afternoon, (leaving after dinner is fully over, not before 1½ P. M.,) to return by the ordinary hour in the evening.

When about to leave, the attendants will call at the office and put their keys on the hooks provided for the purpose, and report themselves either to one of the Physicians, or leave their names and the hour of going out on a slate provided for the purpose, and in like manner report themselves on their return.

They are never on any occasion to lend their keys to any person, and especially not to a patient, without directions to that effect from the Physician.

When attendants are absent from their duties for any length of time, on their own private business or for pleasure, they will have the loss of time deducted on the settlement of their accounts, at the discretion of the Physician.

Attendants and others employed in the house are not to visit the friends of patients, unless requested to do so by the Physician.

21. Notice to Leave and Discharges.—Whenever any one employed wishes to give up his situation, he is only required to give two week's notice of his intention.

Whenever the Institution wishes to dispense with the services of any one, the same notice will be given, or payment for that period, at the discretion of the Physician.

Whenever any one is discharged, however, for any violation of rules or improper conduct, no such notice will be given, nor payment made but up to the time of discharge.

As many very worthy and well-intentioned persons do not possess the natural qualifications to make them valuable in the care of the insane, the officers of the Institution in all their engagements expressly reserve the right at any time to dispense with the services of any one by giving two weeks notice, or by paying for the period, and this with or without assigning their reasons therefor

It can never be considered as any mark of disrespect, when an individual is not likely to gain credit or give satisfaction in a station, to give him an opportunity to embrace another pursuit better calculated to advance his own interest.

DUTIES OF WATCHMAN AND WATCHWOMAN.

The watchman will commence his rounds at half past nine o'clock, at which hour he will call at the Physicians' office for directions for the night. He will keep moving about from ward to ward during the entire night, and will visit every part of the house (*except that occupied by the female patients,*) at least every hour, frequently passing on the outside of the hospital, and noticing the out-buildings.

He must be kind, gentle and soothing in his manner to the patients, and take every means in his power to tranquilize those that are excited, and to allay the fears and apprehensions of the timid. He will see that they are promptly supplied with water when it is asked for, and that all their little reasonable wants are attended to.

He will be careful to make as little noise as possible in moving about, and to always speak to patients in a low tone of voice.

He will notice particularly all unusual sounds in the patients' rooms, and ascertain their cause, or give prompt notice to the proper attendant.

When they are sick in the wards he will pay them frequent visits—attend to all their wants, and if required, administer their medicine.

He will report to the Physician all irregularities, every instance of neglect, and all violations of rule that may come under his notice in any part of the house or on the premises—and enter upon the office book any remarks he may have to make upon the occurrences of the night.

Should he discover fire in any part of the hospital or out-buildings, if it is not in his power at once to extinguish it, he will immediately give notice to the officers and then to the attendants, but never raise a general alarm.

He is to ring the bell at the prescribed hour, and perform such other duties as may be assigned him.

The attendants being up, and in charge of the wards, at six o'clock A. M., his duties cease till one P. M., after which his time is at the command of the Institution till sunset, from which hour he is relieved till 9½ P. M.

THE DUTIES OF THE WATCHWOMAN are confined to the wards occupied by female patients, in which she will spend the night, and be governed by the same rules as the Watchman.

Both will be careful to perform their responsible trusts with the

strictest fidelity—to be constantly vigilant, and never to sleep while on duty. Any suspicion of a want of fidelity in these officers must necessarily disqualify them for their stations. Individuals failing to perform their whole duty, from fear or any other cause, will not be retained in either of these stations.

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

NEW ORLEANS, JACKSON AND GREAT NORTHERN RAILROAD COMPANY.

Proceedings of the Stockholders of the New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern Railroad Company.

NEW ORLEANS, April 13, 1857.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern Railroad Company was held at the office of the Company, this day, at 12 o'clock M., in conformily with the charter.

On motion, Mr. A. D. Kelly was called to the Chair, and R. S. Charles appointed Secretary.

The President submitted the report of the Board of Directors to the stockholders, which was read.

On motion of Col. W. S. Campbell, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the President be instructed to publish such portions of the report as he may deem proper, in the daily papers.

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to examine the accounts of the Company, and the report of the Board to the stockholders, with instructions to report on the same at an adjourned meeting, to be held on Saturday next at 12 o'clock.

The Chairman appointed on said committee, Messrs. William M. Goodrich, J. S. Brander, J. H. Donegan, J. R. Jones and W. S. Campbell.

On motion it was

Resolved, That this meeting be adjourned until Saturday, the 18th April, 1857, at 12 o'clock, M.

APRIL 18, 1857.

The stockholders met this day, at 12 o'clock M., pursuant to adjournment—Mr. Kelly in the chair.

The committee appointed to examine the report of the Board of Directors to the stockholders and the accounts of the Company, submitted the following:

To the Stockholders of the New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern Rai'road Company.

The undersigned committee of the stockholders of the New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern Railroad Company, to whom was referred the annual report of the President and Directors, with instructions to examine the accounts of the Company, have the honor to report that they met at the room of the Directors on the 17th inst., and after being organized by calling Mr. Brander to the chair, proceeded to business in the following manner:

The President and Secretary of the Board of Directors were invited to attend the sittings of the committee, and to lay on the table all the books which constituted the system of book-keeping of the Company. This being complied with, the following interrogatories were propounded to the officers of the Board, and promptly responded to by the exhibition of books, vouchers and other details.

INTERROGATORIES.—"Are the accounts of the Company regularly examined by any committee?"

"Are any statements of receipts and expenditures made to the Board?"

"How are the funds of the Company kept?"

"How is the money drawn?"

"How are the purchases made?"

"What check have you on passenger receipts?"

"What check have you on freights?"

"What vouchers have you for expenditures, and how are they arranged for reference?"

"What check have you on the work of repair hands?"

"What check have you on employees in the transportation department?"

"What check have you on employees in the machine shop?"

The committee deem it unnecessary to report all the details of their investigations, but beg leave to state that, after diligent inquiry, they rose from their labors with unqualified satisfaction, and fully impressed with the belief that for method, clerkship and accountability for receipts and expenditures, our business is as faithfully and skilfully administered as the stockholders could desire, and not surpassed within our knowledge.

The committee have not thought that our instructions contem-

plated the personal inspection of each account of the Company, and we are satisfied that such an inspection on our part would have been an act of supererogation; for we ascertained that there was a standing committee on accounts, composed of members of the Board, whose duty it is to inspect and check the accounts, and who are required to make, at short intervals, a written report to the Board. We beg leave to offer the following report of the Committee on Accounts, which is conclusive for the current year:

NEW ORLEANS, April 16, 1857.

To the Board of Directors of the New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern Railroad Company.

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on Accounts respectfully report that they have carefully examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Company in the Treasurer's Department, from the date of the last examination, 19th of November, 1856, to the 8th inst., (exclusive) and find them correct and agreeing with the statement made to the stockholders at a meeting held on the 13th inst.

The balance of cash on hand, as per check book, cash book and ledger, (all of which agree) was, on the 7th inst., $34,929 80. Certificates from the Citizens' and Union Banks, produced by the Treasurer, exhibit $429 40 over and above the balance per books of the Company, which is accounted for by the fact that checks for this amount (as shown per statement) have not yet been presented at the banks for payment.

N. C. FOLGER,
A. M. HOLBROOK,
WM. P. SAUNDERS,
Committee on Accounts.

Your committee have the honor to recommend that the report of the President and Directors of the Company be adopted, and that 1,500 copies be published in pamphlet form, for distribution among the stockholders.

We also recommend that the President and Board of Directors are entitled to the cordial thanks of the stockholders for the able and faithful manner in which they have administered the affairs of the Company.

All of which is respectfully submttted;

JAMES S. BRANDER,
JESSE R. JONES,
W. S. CAMPBELL,
JAMES H. DONEGAN,
Committee.

NEW ORLEANS, April 18th, 1857.

N. B.—Mr. Wm. M. Goodrich, being absent from the city, was prevented meeting the committee.

On motion of C. M. Conrad, it was

Resolved, unanimously, That the report which has just been submitted to this meeting by the committee of stockholders be adopted and published with the rest of the proceedings.

On motion, the meeting adjourned *sine die.*

R. S. CHARLES,
Secretary.

TO THE STOCKHOLDERS

OF THE

NEW ORLEANS,

JACKSON AND GREAT NORTHERN

RAILROAD COMPANY.

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Directors respectfully present, as their annual statement, the following report, recently made to the Legislature, on the condition of the Company, its operations during the past year, and its future prospects, merely adding the Chief Engineer's report, new tabular statements of receipts and expenditures, transportation receipts, &c., &c., and a few remarks on the present state of the work:

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana.

The President and Directors of the New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern Railroad Company, respectfully present the following report on the condition of the company, in conformity with law:

The road is now completed from New Orleans to the Bogue Chitto Valley, a distance of one hundred and thirteen miles, and from Jackson to Canton, twenty-four mlies—total, one hundred and thirty-seven miles. On these portions of the road freight and passenger trains run daily.

Track laying is progressing from both ends of the road. From Jackson, southward, one and a half miles are already ironed, and from the Bogue Chitto Valley, northward, seventeen and a half miles are ready for the rails, which are being laid at the rate of a mile and a half per week. The Board had expecten these seventeen and a half miles to be laid this month, but a delay of three weeks in strengthening bridges, during which time the trains cold

not pass up wi,h iron, and a loss of four or five weeks from bad weather, prevented it. Yet the progress of tracklaying has been as rapid as was consistent with good work, and on the whole has been satisfactory.

There are fifty-one and a half miles, beginning one mile and a half south of Jackson, and ending two miles north of Brookhaven, not yet ready for the rails. The earthwork, masonry and bridgeing are under contract, to be completed by September next. A very large force is at present at work upon it. The track laying will be carried on from both ends as fast as the roadway is prepared. The rails chairs, &c., for the track, from Jackson southward, are sent by steamboats from New Orleans to Vicksburg, and thence by the Vicksburg Railroad to Jackson, where the two roads connect.

Six thousand five hundred tons iron rails, sufficient with the stock which was then on hand, to iron the whole road, were purchased in England, during the past summer, on favorable terms. Nearly one half of it has already arrived: the remainder has all been shipped, the bills of lading being in the possesion of the company.

Since the date of the last report of the company the first forty-five miles of the road from New Orleans to Ponchatoula have been much improved, and are now in very good condition. From Ponchatoula to the northern terminus, the road will compare favorably with any road in the country.

No doubt is entertained by the Board of the entire completion of the road between New Orleans and Canton, early in 1858. In anticipation of this, contracts were made last year for large additions to our rolling stock. We have now on hand as will be seen by the accompanying statement F, thirteen locomotives; five more have been shipped from Philadelphia, and are now on the way, and fifteen more are delivered at the end of the present year, making a total of thirty-three, with which to commence the through business of the road. A large number of freight and passenger cars, contracted for at the same time, were finished at Madison Ia., long since, but in consequence of the low stage of water in the Ohio river for many months, and its closing by ice almost as soon as it rose, the builder has found it impossible to forward them. Serious inconvenience to the company and to the public has been the result. There has constantly been more freight at way-stations than could be promptly moved with the limited number of cars at the command of the transportation department. This is not likely to occur after the present season, as, in addition to what will be received under contract, arrangements are about being made by which any required number may be turned out at the depot by the company's own car builders, at prices not higher than is paid for them at the North, and of better materials and workmanship.

Deeming the speedy completion of the road of first importance, it has been the uniform policy of the Directors to expend the whole

of the receipts, as far as possible, in its construction and to appropriate nothing for extensive depot buildings, but to rest content, for the time being, with those of a cheap and temporary character. Hence, the machine shops, freight houses, &c., at the depot, are little better than sheds. The Board have never regretted their economy in this respect. They are convinced that the Great Northern Railroad is many miles longer to-day than it would have been had their funds been invested in costly buildings: but, in their opinion, the increasing business of the company now renders the erection of some additional buildings necessary, both on the score of convenience and security, and they have made arrangements to build, at moderate cost, during the coming spring, an engine house of brick and iron, and a passenger house, freight house and car shop of wood.

During the past year, by private enterprise, a line of first class four horse passenger stages has been put on the unfinished part of the road, connecting the trains on the southern end of the line with those on the northern end at Jackson, and also with the trains on the Vicksburg road. By means of the railroad and of these stages (which carry the U. S. mail) the trip from New Orleans to Jackson is made in twenty-four hours, less than half the average time required to go from New Orleans to Jackson by the river.

The towns along the entire route from New Orleans to Jackson, are now supplied with the mail daily, where formerly many of them were visited but once a week; and the great saving of time has induced many travelers to abandon the river route altogether.

By reference to statement E, it will be seen that the freight and passenger earnings for 1855, were $123,305 34, and for 1856, $177,639 99, making a difference in favor of last year of $54,334 65, or about forty-four per cent. This increase, all things considered, is satisfactory, for although much work has been done on the road within the past year in the shape of graduation, masonry and bridging, but little has been added to the track. Yet these earnings are insignificant if contrasted with what they will be when the road is entirely completed between New Orleans and Canton. The following is an estimate made up last year, but it is probable that its figures will fall far short of the reality:

Estimated receipts of the New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern Railroad, when finished to Canton, and before the Mississippi Central Railroad is completed.

100,000 passengers at $8 each	$800,000 00
United States mail service	41,200 00
50,000 bales of cotton from Jackson, and north of Jackson, at $2 per bale	100,000 00
Way and miscellaneous traffic	100,000 00
Up freight of merchandise and supplies	150,000 00
	$1,191,200 00
Deduct 50 per cent. for expenses	595,600 00
Net annual receipts	$595,600 00

The same, after the Central Railroad is finished.

200,000 passengers at $8 each	$1,600,000 00
United States mail service	41,200 00
100,000 bales of cotton north of Jackson, at $2 per bale	200,000 00
Way and miscellaneous traffic	200,000 00
Up freight of merchandise	300,000 00
	$2,341,200 00
Deduct 50 per cent. for expenses	1,170,600 00
Net annual receipts	$1,170,600 00

The various railroads with which the Great Northern will connect, are most accurately and clearly described by his excellency, the Governor of the State, in his recent annual message to your honorable body. (See extract from the Governors message on page at the end of this report.)

Many of these roads are finished, and every one of those not yet completed is making satisfactory progress in the work of construction. Few are aware of the very little yet remaining to be done to connect New Orleans by railroad with every part of the Union, east of the Mississippi. It can scarcely be doubted that, in 1859, the traveler will be enabled to go by rail from New Orleans to the remotest part of the country. The Mississippi Central Railroad, with which this connects at Canton, runs in a northerly direction to Lagrange, Tenn., a distance of 188 miles, where it intersects the Memphis and Charleston Railroad. It will be finished in 1858. The Mississippi and Tennessee Central Railroad connects with the Mississippi Central at Lagrange, and runs in a northerly direction to Jackson, Tenn., a distance of 45 miles, there tapping the Mobile and Ohio Railroad. It will be finished within a few months.

That part of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad between Jackson, Tenn., and Columbus, Ky., on the Mississippi river, 16 miles south of Cairo, at the mouth of the Ohio river, will be finished by November of the present year. A line of steamboats on the sixteen miles between Columbus and Cairo, to be run by the Illinois Central Railroad Company, will connect the Illinois Central and Mobile and Ohio Railroads, until the sixteen miles of railroad between those two points shall be completed. The distance from Jackson, Tenn., to Cairo is 126 miles, and the total distance from New Orleans to Cairo is 565 miles. The time required to run through will be twenty three hours. The time by steamboat is from five to eight days.

The Memphis and Charleston Railroad will be completed in a few months. It runs from Memphis to Stevenson, on the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad. By this road, and those running from its eastern terminus in a northeasterly direction, all completed except the "East Tennessee and Virginia," and the "Orange and Alexandria" Railroads, (and they will be finished in 1858,) we have a direct route, entirely by railroad from New Orleans to New York, 1318 miles in length, which may be run over, at a moderate speed in 53 hours.

During the past year the Board of Directors issued three thousand bonds, of one thousand dollars each. dated July 1, 1856 at thirty years, bearing interest, payable semi-annually, at the rate of eight per cent. per annum, and secured by a first mortgage of the railroad, its lands, appurtenances, franchises &c., with the view of raising, by the sale of a portion, of them, an amount sufficient to complete the building and equipment of the road to Canton. The whole amount disposed of, to the first instant, was $633,000, leaving $2,367,000 in the hands of the Company. Nearly half a million of the $633,000 were sold in England, on satisfactory terms, by the highly respectable and responsible house of Messrs. John Henry Schroder & Co. of London, notwithstanding the adverse condition of the money markets of Europe. An arrangement has been made with Messrs. Schroder & Co. for further sales, which, it is not doubted will supply the necessary means to carry the work to successful completion. The avarage price at which the six hundred and thirty-three bonds were disposed of was about ninety-eight and three quarters per cent., including exchange on those sold in England. By the statement of reciepts and expenditures, marked A and B, which accompany this report, it will be found that $406.383 47 is set down as the amount received on account of these bonds. The balance is yet to be settled for, the payments on those sold in England being made by installments.

The total indebtedness of the company on the 1st inst., was $1.717,998 17, viz:

Bills payable, secured generally by pledge of State,

City and firsr Mortgage Bonds	$738,498 17
First Mortgage Bonds disposed sf	633,000 00
Payable for purchase of Iron rails during the year 1857	346,500 00
	$1,717,998 17

Sundry documents accompany and make part of this report, viz:

A.—A statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Company from its organization to January 1st, 1857.

B.—A statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Company from the date of the last report to January 1st, 1857.

C.—A statement of the disposition of 800 Louisiana State bonds of $1000 each, received on account of State subscription.

D.—A statement of the disposition of 2000 bonds of the city of New Orleans, of $1000 each, received for city subscription.

E.—A statement of the monthly earnings of the road for freight and passengers to January 1st, 1857.

F.—A statement of the rolling stock of the Company.

All of which is respectfully submitted:

JOHN CALHOUN, President.

NEW ORLEANS, January 24, 1857.

NOTE.—The tables which accompanied the report to the Legislature are omitted, as those at the end of this pamphlet contain all that was in them, and are made up to a later date.

Extract from the Message of the Governor of Louisiana to the Legislature, referred to in the foregoing report.

The New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern Railroad is approaching rapidly its final completion to Canton, Miss., two hundred and six miles from New Orleans; of this distance, one hundred and thirty-seven miles are completed and in daily use, and in the month of March, nineteen miles additional will be opened for transportation, leaving only fifty miles of the middle division, south of Jackson to be constructed. A large force of men are employed on the unfinished portion of the road-way formation; the iron and other materials for completing the superstructure have been purchased, and an ample train of machinery provided for the transportation department.

It is confidently believed that the road will be fully equipped for the fall business of 1858.

The last Congress donated to this company, also, the alternate sections of public land within six miles on either side of the road; but, as the lands in the immediate vicinity had been for the most part entered by individuals, and those remote not being of a quality likely to become immediately availab'e for the wants of the company, it has not been deemed expedient, up to this time, to accept the donation, and incur the servitude with which the grant is

burthened. The advanced condition of the work, and the solvency and good credit of the Company, forbid any compromise of its future prospects for a temporary consideration.

This road will form the stem on which all the railroads east of the Mississippi, leading to New Orleans, will be engrafted. Its branches will amount to many thousands of miles; and as a grand trunk, its relation to other railroads will be the same as the Mississippi to its numerous tributaries. Uniting with the Mississippi Central at Canton—which road is in a forward condition—the line of that road passes nearly north to Jackson, Tennessee, two hundred and thirty-six miles; thence uniting with the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, and pursuing the same direction, the Ohio river is reached at Cairo, and by a branch road at Paducah. At Cairo, a union with the Illinois Central Railroad will place New Orleans in communication, by railroad, with the whole system of roads north of the Ohio river, and with the great lakes. At Jackson, Mississippi, the Great Northern Railroad is intersected by the Vicksburg and Jackson Railroad, which forms a connecting link for travel with the Vicksburg, Shreveport and Texas Railroad, and the Southern Pacific Railroad before described. Eastwardly from Jackson, and in continuation of the Vicksburg and Jackson Railroad, the Southern Railroad, and the Alabama Central Railroad, passing through Brandon, Marion and Selma, to Montgomery, connect us with the Southern Atlantic railroads. Passing from Jackson, Mississippi, two hundred and eight miles, by the Northern Route, before described, the Memphis and Charleston Railroad intersects the Mississippi Railroad near the Tennessee line. This connection brings into the Great Northern Railroad the confluents of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad, and leads to Washington City by the East Tennessee and Georgia Railroad and the Virginia and Tennessee Railroad, *via* Knoxville, Abingdon and Lynchburg. Numerous branch roads enter the Great Northern line, first described, between Jackson, Tennessee, and the Ohio River, forming connections with Nashville, Louisville and other important towns in Tennessee and Kentucky. The State of Tennessee has subscribed ten thousand dollars per mile to her principal railroads, payable as the road-bed is completed. This liberal aid will furnish the iron superstructure, and leave to individual enterprise the burthen only, of preparing the form on which it is laid.

Looking west of the Mississippi, it will be seen that the principal railroads of Arkansas, Missouri and Iowa, run nearly east to the river. Upon the waters of this great inland sea must be borne to market the heavy burthens of her iron tributaries; but a large portion of the passengers will reach New Orleans over the Great Northern Railroad, which, by its successive links, forms a chain extending over sixteen degrees of latitude. I extract the following summary from an official report of the Company:

"When our connection is completed with the railroads above described, we may reach Chicago, (travelling at the rate of twenty-five miles per hour,) in thirty-six hours, Washington City in forty-eight hours, St. Louis in thirty hours, Cincinnati in thirty-two hours, Nashville in twenty two hours, Shreveport and the Texan border in eighteen hours, and all the intermediate points in the same ratio of reduction. This statement must convey to any reflecting mind, the great importance of our enterprise; and when it is remembered that all the intercourse and traffic of the vast systsm of roads which tend to New Orleans, must pass over ours as a main trunk, its value as an investment may readily be appreciated."

Since the foregoing report was made to the Legislature, the track has been completed to Brookhaven, Miss., a distance of one hundred and twenty-nine miles from New Orleans, which, added to twenty-four miles between Jackson and Canton, and two miles south of Jackson, gives one hundred and fifty-five miles of finished track. Between Brookhaven and the point to which the track is laid south of Jackson, fifty-one miles, the work of grading, masonry, and bridging, is progressing vigorously, nearly one thousand choice hands being now employed on it; and as the iron rails for the whole of the work have been received, the Board are confident that the road will be entirely finished from New Orleans to Canton, early in 1858.

That portion of the road which has been opened for business, is in excellent running order, having been very much improved within the past few months. No accident of any kind has occurred upon it for a long period, a circumstance highly creditable to the efficient and faithful officers of the transportation, repair and machinists' departments.

The statement of receipts and expenditures, marked B, which accompanies this report, is made up from the organization of the company, to the 7th inst., and shows the total receipts from all sources to have been $6.440,864 85; expenditures, $5,360,403 89; balance in cash, New Orleans city bonds, Louisiana State bonds and bills receivable, $1,080,460 96. The bonds, however, are not at present available, being all pledged as security for loans. Of the receipts, it will be perceived that the sum of $1,815,610 38 has been raised on bills payable, and first mortgage bonds; the remainder, by receipts on account of subscriptions to capital stock, transportation earnings, and interest collected from the State of Louisiana and the City of New Orleans on bonds held by the company.

The Legislature of Mississippi, at its last session, passed an act to lend to this and other railroad companies, the proceeds of the "Chickasaw School Fund," a fund arising from the sales of certain lands in that State. The terms of the loan are that the money shall be repaid in seven years, with interest at the rate of eight

per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, with a pledge of first mortgage bonds as security. The Board, deeming the conditions advantageous, have accepted the loan, and have received twenty-five thousand dollars on account of it. The share of this company will probably be about two hundred thousand dollars, of which it is expected about one-half will be received this year, and the other half in 1858.

For the means to complete that part of the road south of Jackson, which is yet unfinished, the Board rely upon negotiations of the first mortgage bonds of the company, which they have a reasonable hope of selling, from time to time, as money is needed. The total sum required will be about five hundred thousand dollars.

The indebtedness of the Company is $1,815,610 38, as follows:

Bills payable and loans, generally secured by pledges of State, City or first mortgage bonds.....	$1,096,610 38
First mortgage bonds disposed of, ...	719,000 00
	$1,815,610 38

Reference is made to the documents which accompany and make part of this report, viz:

A.—The report of the Chief Engineer.

B.—A statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Company from its organization to the 7th of April, 1857.

C.—A statement of the receipts and expenditures for the year ending 7th April, 1857.

D.—A statement of the disposition of 800 bonds of the State of Louisiana.

E.—A statement of the disposition of 2000 bonds of the city of New Orleans.

F.—A statement of the disposition of 3000 First Mortgage Bonds.

G.—A statement of loans and bills payable.

H.—A statement of freight and passenger receipts for the year ending April 7th, 1857.

I—J.—Report of the master machinist.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN CALHOUN,
President.

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ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT, NEW ORLEANS,
JACKSON & GREAT NORTHERN RAILROAD.

To the President and Board of Directors:

GENTLEMEN: I respectfully submit to your consideration the following Report of the work under my charge:

Owing to a favorable change in the money matters of the Company since the date of the last Report, operations in the construction have been prosecuted with much vigor. The condition of the several Contracts will be briefly considered.

On the Contract of J. T. Grant & Co., there remains but little work to do. The Grading is complete, with the exception of some side clearing, some little trimming, and the widening of some scant embankment slopes. The small truss bridges of sixty feet span, to replace temporary structures over the Bogue Chitto Creek, though framed, remain to be put up. The track is laid to the fortieth mile at Brookhaven, and will reach the new Depot and end of the Contract in one week's time. The total amount of work done on the Contract of John T. Grant & Co., is as follows:

567,812 Cubic yards of earth excavation, at 30cts. per yard	$152,343 60
4,761 Do. do. Solid rock excavation, at $1 25 per yard	5,951 25
626,713 Do. do. Borrowed embankment, 30c. Do.	188,013 90
633 Yards in brick arched Culvert, at $15 per yard	9,495 00
380,00 Feet B. M. of Bridge timber, at $40 per M.	15,200 00
35,00 Do. do. Foundation timber, at $30 per M	1,050 00
15 Miles of finished Track at $2,000 per mile	30,000 00
25 Do. do. do. $1,800 do.	45,000 00
30 Do. Grubbing and Clearing, at $800 per mile	24,000 00
Piling Foundations	1,339 00
Amount	$472,392 75

In the history of Railroad Contracts it is seldom that a Contract like this. involving an amount of near five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000,) has been carried through successfully without great annoyance, either caused by the money arrangements or by imperfections in the Contract, and I cannot pass on to the consideration of other subjects ere calling your attention to the fact that the Messrs. Grant have paid every regard to the instructions of the Engineer, and waiving any advantage they might have claimed under the Contract, have endeavored to do their work in a faithful and honorable manner.

The work done on the contract of fifteen miles immediately north, undertaken by Messrs. Latimer, McKie & Co., amounts to:

50,000	Cubic yards of Earth excavation, at 40c. per yard	$20,000 00
70,000	Do. do. do 25c. per yard	17,500 00
78,000	Do of borrowed embankment, at 25c. per pard	19,500 00
400,000	Bricks laid in arched Culverts, at $20	8,000 00
50,000	Feet B. M. Timber in foundations, at $25	1,250 00
7	Miles of Grubbing and Clearing, at $800 per mile	5,600 00
	Amount	$71,850 00

Probable amount in all on this Contract as by Approximate Estimates:

205,000	Cubic yards of Earth excavation, at 40c per yard	$82,000 00
130,000	Do. do. do. 25c per yard	32,500 00
180,000	Do. of borrowed embankment, at 25c. per yard	45,000 00
700,000	Bricks in arched Culverts, at $20	14,500 00
100,000	Feet B. M. Timber in foundations at $25	2,500 00
14	Miles of Grubbing and Clearing at $800 per mile	11,000 00
15	Do. Track, at $1,800 per mile	27,000 00
	Total	$214,200 00

Leaving work to the amount of $142,350 still to be done.

This contract requires that the grading shall be finished, the track laid. and the whole turned over to the Company by the 1st Dec., next.

Messrs. Cocke, Bradford & Co., on their Contract for the succeeding twenty miles, have done work to the following amount:

112,000	Cubic yards of Earth excavation, at 24c. per yard	$26,880 00
53,000	Do. do. Borrowed embankment, at 24c. per yard	12,720 00
600	Do. do. Solid Rock, at $1 per yard	600 00

8 Miles of Grubbing and Clearing, at $400 per mile	3,200 00
Brick work by S. C. Brewer	7,000 00
Total	$50,400 00

Approximate estimate of the amount of work on the Contract:

615,000 Cubic yards of Earth excavation, at 24c. per yard	$147,600 00
255,000 Do. do. Borrowed embankment, at 24c. per yard	61,200 00
4,000 Do. do. Solid rock, at $1 per yard	4,000 00
15 Miles of Grubbing and Clearing, at $400 per mile	6,000 00
Brick work	20,000 00
Total	$238,800 00

Leaving the sum of $188,400, as the cost of work still to be done.

The balance of the work to Jackson, a distance of nineteen miles has been let in contracts of from one to three miles to Messrs. Thompson, Wingfield. Sims, Gresham, McDowell, Ellington, Gordon & Orme, and Raines. The experience of all these gentlemen has been great, and having negro forces, they will no doubt finish their work in the time prescribed by their contracts. Without going into a detailed statement which would be too tedious on account of the various differences in prices, the sum total of work done by them amounts to $40,400
Leaving still to be done about 91,000

Total cost of graduation on this section $131,400

The time of completion of these contracts has been arranged with the view of starting the track-laying from Jackson south on the first of August next, and to continue laying from that end until we meet the track coming north from Brookhaven. Without some unforseen contingency my expectation is that the tracks will join some twenty-five miles south of Jackson and thirty-three north of Brookhaven, at or about the 1st of April, 1858. This slow rate of progress with the track of only three miles per month will be caused by detentions which will occur at some heavy points in the grading.

The track was finished from Jackson to Canton, twenty-four miles, in a few days after the last annual report and the road opened for

business the first of June following. The business on that part of the road has averaged within a fraction of the amount stated as would probably be done, viz: five thousand dollars per month for the ten months. There have been twenty-four thousand eight hundred and sixty-five bales of cotton transported over that part of the road. The business between Jackson and Canton since June, 1856, was very considerably affected by the short crop of cotton last year in Middle Mississippi. We were likewise disappointed in receiving any benefit from the extension of the Mississippi Central Road above Canton. Through various causes their track has advanced only seven miles from Canton north, but we have positive assurances that the iron for thirty miles, which they have on hand in Canton, will be laid in time for the next fall business. In any event our earnings for the coming fiscal year, will amount fully to one hundred thousand dollars between Canton and Jackson. No accident has occurred to detain the trains over fifteen minutes, and but one connection with the Vicksburg Road has been missed. No passenger has received the slightest injury. By constant labor the condition of the road has been much improved. A train is engaged cleaning ditches, widening cuts and removing slides. Most of the cuts have been trunked thoroughly with heavy timber. It is well for the future interests of the Company, that this section of the road has been opened so early. No one could have foreseen the difficulties attendant on the construction of a road through such a country and much loss would have ensued by the complete interruption to business which the first severe winter would have caused.

A good brick warehouse has been erected at Canton; platforms and small freight houses, at the way stations. As soon as a small engine house and repair shop can be put up at Jackson, the construction accounts can be closed on this section of the road.

GEO. H. HAZLEHURST,
Chief Engineer.

NEW ORLEANS, April 7, 1857.

STATEMENT of the Receipts and Expenditures of the N. O., J.

RECEIPTS.		
CAPITAL STOCK—		
On account of Subscription in New Orleans, and stock taken by contractors	$ 568,482 81	
Railroad tax for 1853, rec'd through the City Treasurer	263,592 62	
Subscription by the City of New Orleans, in Bonds at twenty years	2,000,000 00	
Subscription by the State of Louisiana, in Bonds at forty years	800,000 00	
Subscription by the State of Mis'pi,	264,000 00	
Do. in Hinds County, do.	7,936 25	
Do. in Monroe Co, do.	94,790 47	
Do. in Copiah Co., do.	5,000 00	
Do. in Lawrence Co., do.	400 00	
Do. in Pike Co., do.	9,075 00	
Do. by Canton & J'n Railroad	44,170 00	
		$4,057,447 15
BILLS PAYABLE AND LOANS		1,096,610 38
TRANSPORTATION—		
Passengers	130,892 35	
Freight	238,874 45	
Mails	11,270 10	
Sundries	211 16	
		381,248 06
INTEREST—		
On City Bonds	169,260 00	
On State Bonds	16,620 00	
		185,880 00
FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS		719,000 00
Amount due Sundry Agents		679 26
Amount carried forward		$6,440,864 85

and G. N. R. R. Co., from its organization to April 7, 1857.

EXPENDITURES.		
Graduation		$1,404,962 09
Iron Rails		1,432,850 55
Swamp Cribwork		273,871 17
Cross-ties		132,522 41
Engineering and Surveying		160,260 07
Laying Track		148,145 83
Chairs and Spikes		73,229 27
Masonry, Culverts and Small Bridges		73,264 89
Pile Bridges		67,988 56
Trestle Bridges		12,928 82
Masonry Tombigby River Bridge		3,416 45
Do. Matubbee Creek Bridge		9,254 38
Tangipahoa River Bridge		2,265 23
Locomotive Engines		132,360 80
Cars		125,648 73
Turn-out Irons		5,961 63
Turn-Tables		2,630 14
Way Station Buildings		26,835 18
Woodsheds and Water Stations		9,635 82
Division Houses		7,845 30
Machine Shop		10,623 51
Depot and Depot Grounds		27,405 57
Machine Shop Tools		7,951 28
Real estate in Louisiana & Mississip'i		121,531 68
Interest	$229,289 50	
Discount on City Bonds	126,853 21	
Do. on State Bonds	50,064 24	
Do. on First Mortgage Bonds	41,404 45	
Interest on Railroad Tax Bonds	28,800 00	
Do. on First Mortgage Bonds,	27,360 00	503,771 40
Right of way		32,666 32
Fencing		5,127 89
Advertising and Printing		16,248 47
Commission (on stock collections,)		5,997 03
Expense		102,024 65
Reduction of Stock		25,724 97
Taxes		822 89
Contingencies		30,017 75
Wharf at Kenner		2,534 42
Legal Expenses and Law Charges		3,294 97
MAINTENANCE OF WAY—		
Men's wages	121,612 58	
Repair's to Bridges	4,585 92	
Provisions for Negroes	4,506 76	
Cross ties	2,313 43	
Tools and Incidentals,	5,075 45	
Advertising and Printing	138 40	—138,033 54

STATEMENT—(Continued.)

RECEIPTS.		
Amount brought forward.....		$6,440,864 85
Total.....		$6,440,864 85

STATEMENT—(Continued.)

EXPENDITURES.		
Amount brought forward.....		$5,139,653 66
Conducting Trasportation—		
Agents and Clerks.....	$24,847 67	
Wages of Laborers and Watchmen	43,828 56	
Incidentals.....	12,068 93	
Conductors.....	8,984 00	
Loss and Damage.....	9,694 67	
Stationary and Printing.....	6,618 25	
Oil and Tallow.....	2,910 59	
Watching Bridges.....	1,795 44	
		107,748 11
Maintenance of Cars—		
Repairs to Car Shop.....	17 60	
Repairs to Cars.....	14,511 70	
		14,529 30
Motive Power—		
Wood for Locomotives.....	32 092 47	
Engineers and Firemen.....	25,714 09	
Repairs to Engines.....	22,017 84	
Expenses Water Stations.....	11,186 55	
Oil and Tallow for Engines.....	5,425 27	
Wages of Laborers and Watchmen	1,241 13	
Incidentals.....	795 47	
		98,472 82
		$5,360,403 89
Balance on Hand—		
Cash in New Orleans.....	34,929 80	
Cash in hands of Sundry Agents..	59,631 16	
Bonds of the City of New Orleans	941,000 00	
Bonds of the State of Louisiana..	14,000 00	
Bills Receivable.....	30,900 00	
		1,080,460 96
Total.....		$6,440,864 85

New Orleans, April 7, 1857.

R. S. CHARLES,

Treasurer.

[C]

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

For the Year ending April 7, 1857.

Balance on hand at date of last Annual Report, in Bonds and Cash.....	$1,308,670 34
Receipts for the year ending April 7, 1857.....	1,369,831 80
	$2,678,502 14
Expenditures during the year ending April 7, 1857.	1,598,041 18
Balance on hand in Bonds, Cash, and Bills Receivable.....	$1,080,460 96

New Orleans, April 7, 1857.

[D]

DISPOSITION OF 800 BONDS.

Of the STATE OF LOUISINA, *for* $1,000 *each, received from the State of Louisiana by the New Orleans, Jackson & Great Northern Railroad Company, on account of the subscription of said State.*

Received 800 Bonds, No. 1 to 800, inclusive.....		$800,000 00
Sold 786 Bonds, No. 1 to 786.....	$786,000 00	
Pledged 14 Bonds, No. 787 to 800..	14,000 00	
		800,000 00

New Orleans, April 7, 1857.

[E]

DISPOSITION OF 2,000 BONDS

Of the CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, *for* $1,000 *each, received from the City of New Orleans, Jackson & Great Northern Railroad Comyany, in full for the subscription of the said City.*

Received 2,000 Bonds, No. 1 to 2,000 inclusive.....		$2,000,000 00
Sold 1.059 Bonds.....	$1,059,000 00	
Pledged 941 Bonds.....	941,000 00	
2,000 Bonds.....	$2,000,000 00	

New Orleans, April 7, 1858.

[F]

DISPOSITION OF 3,000 FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS

Of the New Orleans Jackson & Great Northern Railroad Company, for $1,090 *each.*

On hand in New Orleans, and in hands of sundry.... agents.....	1,801
Pledged.....	480
Sold.....	719
Total.....	3,000

New Orleans, April 7, 1857.

[G]

STATEMENT OF LOANS AND BILLS PAYABLE.

Loans, and Bills Payable issued for Loans.....	$697,541 26
Bills Payable issued for Iron Rails.....	331,633 60
Ditto Issued for Rolling Stock, &c.....	38,239 95
Ditto Issued for Construction.....	26,278 90
Ditto Issued for Real Estate.....	2,916 67
	$1,096,610 38

New Orleans, April 7, 1857.

[H]

STATEMENT OF COLLECTIONS.

Of Freight and Passengers on the New Orleans, Jackson & Great Northern Railroad, from April 6, 1856, *to April* 7, 1857.

	PASSENGER RECEIPTS.	FREIGHT RECEIPTS.	TOTAL PAS & FREIGHT RECEIPTS.	BALES COTTON
1856–6 to 30th Apr.	4,258 50	4,849 52	9,108 02	1,948
" May.....	4,319 50	6,015 68	10,335 18	936
" June.....	6,099 20	6,872 87	12,972 07	441
" July.....	2,639 25	2,303 79	4,943 04	211
" August.....	2,983 99	7,662 82	10,646 81	240
" September....	3,689 70	4,464 24	8,153 94	5,076
" October.....	8,148 64	8,373 89	16,522 53	9.984
" November....	3,583 90	12,128 12	15,712 02	8,141
" December.....	5,093 05	11,221 78	16,314 83	9.594
1857—January....	5,033 40	13,887 44	18 920 84	4,507
" February.....	4,726 19	8,864 69	13,590 88	2,452
" March .....,	*14 155 42	*33,996 43	48,151 85	2,498
" to 7th April...	1,219 75	2,411 19	3,630 94	148
	65,950 49	123,052 46	189,002 95	46.176

* These items include Receipts from Canton Division from September 1856, to February 1857.

New Orleans, April, 1857.

[I]

ROLLING STOCK OF THE N. O., J. & G. N. RAILROAD

17 Locomotives
6 First Class Passenger Cars.
2 Second class do do.
2 Baggage and Mail do.
1 Awning do.
5 Eight-wheeled Stock do.
13 Eight-Wheeled Box Cars.
84 Do do. Platform Cars
20 Crank and Lever do.
10 Gravel do.
6 Large timber Trucks.

[J .]

REPORT OF ENGINES ON THE NEW ORLEANS,

NAMES OF ENGINES.	NAMES OF MAKERS.	Number of Driving wheels.	Diameter of Driving wheels.	Weight of Engines in Tons.	No. of miles run by each Engine from April 1, 1856 to April 1, 1857.	Total no. of miles run by each Engine from commencement of service to April 1, 1857.
Louisiana...	Niles & Co., Cincinnati.	4	5	17	9,866	41,365
Mississippi..	do do	4	5	17	27,980	66,010
Jackson....	R. Norris & Son, Phil.	4	5	18	29,458	42,953
N. Orleans.	M. W. Baldwin & Co., Phil.	4	4½	20	17,631	50,661
Manchac ..	do do	4	4½	15	13,946	40,601
Creole.....	do do	4	4½	20	15,487	30,232
Jas. Robb...	R. Norris & Co., Phil.	4	4½	20	22,498	22,498
Dart	Tredegar Works, Richmond	2	4½	10	11,703	32,108
Magnolia ..	R. Norris & Son, Phil.	4	5½	20	60	60
Crescent...	do do	4	5½	20	1,666	1,666
Georgia ...	M. W. Baldwin & Co. Phil.	6	3½	18	3,355	3,355
Florida.....	do do	6	3½	18	2,067	2,067
Virginia....	do do	4	4½	20		
Pelican....	R. Norris & Son, Phil.	4	5½	20		
Osyka.....	do do	4	5	18	17,520	22,520
Canton.....	do do	4	5	18	17,520	23,520
Southerner..	S. Carolina R. R. Shop.	4	4	12	5 500	10,000

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JACKSON AND GREAT NORTHERN RAILROAD.

Cost of Repairs to each Engine from April 1, 1856, to April 1 1857.	Total cost of repairs to each Engine from commencement of service to April 1, 1857.	COMMENCEMENT OF SERVICE.	CONDITION OF ENGINES.	REMARKS.
1,806 00	3,511 00	Oct. 27, 1854.	In good order.	The Louisiana has been thrown off the track 3 times by running over cattle.
794 00	1,974 00	25,	In good order.	
645 00	920 00	10, 1855.	In good order.	
794 00	2,444 00	Dec. 1, 1853.	In good order.	
722 00	2,697 00	Sept. 1,	In shop repairing	
1,863 45	3,908 45	Jan. 1, 1854.	In shop repairing.	New Flues.
703 00	703 00	April 26, 1856.	In good order.	
610 00	2,330 00	Mar. 15. 1854.	Fair.	
200 00	200 00	18, 1857.	New.	The amount of cost on these engines is for setting them up, &c.
200 00	200 00	Feb. 16,	New.	
200 00	200 00	Jan. 19,	New.	
200 00	200 00	Feb. 16,	New.	
		Rec. but not up	New.	
		" "	New.	
718 00	803 00	Aug. 1, 1855.	In good order.	On C. & J. end
702 00	908 00	Aug. 1, 1855.	Laid up for repairs.	do do
400 00	1,350 00	April 15, 1854	Laid up for repairs.	do do

S. T. VAN LOON,

Master Machinest.

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS

OF THE

MISSISSIPPI CENTRAL R. R. COMPANY

TO THE

CONVENTION OF STOCKHOLDERS,

HELD AT OXFORD, MISS., MAY 21ST, 1857.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

To the stockholders of the Mississippi Central Railroad Co:

GENTLEMEN--At the time of your last Annual Meeting it was supposed, that you at this time could be congratulated on the completion of some eighty miles of your road, but causes of delay in its construction not then anticipated and which could not be foreseen, have occurred to prevent the realization of your wishes and the expectation of the Directory. Prominent among these causes has been the limited amonnt of funds the Directory could command to meet the obligations of the Company for work under contract at the date of my last Annual Report, and to supply the necessary materials for the superstructure. Disappointed in the reception of funds upon which reliance had been made to meet the engagements of the Company, it is quite certain, had the construction of the Trestling, Bridging and laying down of the track been more expeditiously executed, the monthly payments to the Contractors could not have been made, without a sacrifice of your interest, or injury to the credit of the Company consequent upon default in payment that may have resulted in more permanent detentions and delays. Even with the limited progress made in the extension of the road track, the Directory have been compelled to resort to temporary loans to enable them to pay for work performed and materials furnished. Had the amount of work executed been greatly increased, it is

possible that even temporary loans, could not have been obtained to make payments, therefor. It has at all times been deemed advisable by the Directory to limit the amount of work, and supply of materials, to the means of payment on which they should rely, and by punctuality in their engagements preserve the character and credit of the company.

No new contracts have been entered into during the past fiscal year for the execution of earth work, with the exception of two sections between Oxford and Water Valley, to prepare that part of the road-bed, for the superstructure for which iron rails have been purchased, and one section in Holmes county, put under contract on terms favorable to the Company.

To insure an early completion of the Southern Division of your road, it will be necessary to put under contract all the unlet earth work, in Holmes county, consisting of nine sections, as soon as the pecuniary condition of the Company will justify it. These sections completed, you would then have a continuous road-bed from Canton to the vicinity of Middleton in the county of Carroll. Experience has demonstrated the economy of having the embankments on the roadway sometime previous to laying down the superstructure thereon, that they may become firm before trains pass over them. By this course, the saving in the cost of repairs to the track after the road is in operation, will more than reimburse any loss of interst occasioned by the early expenditure, and the injury, that may occur to the work from heavy rains.

The work of Bridging and Track-laying has not been prosecuted with as much expedition as was anticipated by the Directory, or in accordance with the engagements of the Contractor. In addition to the pecuniary causes already alluded to that has retarded the progress of the work on the Northern Division, there was some delay in the commencement of Track laying originating in the failure of contractors, to complete the amount of earth work undertaken by them within the time stipulated in their agreements.

The difficulty of procuring suitable timber, for bridging on the line of the road north of Tallahatchie river, and the necessity of transporting it a considerable distance has been a fruitful cause of detention, and materially delayed the extension of the track. The road track was completed to Waterford, the first Station south of Holly Springs, about the first of December last, but in consequence of the heavy and long continued rains that immediately followed its completion, and the shrinkage of the newly made embankments, regular trains were not run over that part of the road until the 9th of February following.

The Track has since been extended to the Tallahatchie river, and daily passenger trains now run to that place.

The Bridge for the Tallahatchie River is framed and will be erected as soon the water subsides so as to permit the completion of the abuttments.

The commencement of the track-layingon the Southern Divis-

ion was retarded and has since been delayed by the failure of those with whom contracts had been made for the dilivery of cross-ties, to comply with their engagements, and to some extent, by the long continued high water in Doaks Creek and Big Black River. It is not apprehended that any future failure, in a supply of cross-ties will occur, as the present contractor has a large number of laborers, employed in the delivery of a sufficient quantity to lay the Track to the Williams Ferry road.

The track is now laid to Big Black River, a distance of ten miles from Canton. The Bridge over the Big Black not being in readiness for erection it has been determined to form a temporary crossing for the track, by driving piles, and thus expedite the laying down the rails north of the river.

It appears from the report of Mr. E. G. Wall, the Superintendent of that portion of the Northern Division of the road now in operation, herewith submitted, that the receipts from the road for the fiscal year, embracing a period of eleven months, has been from all sources $59,271 37. The expenses of conducting Transportation, cost of fuel, repairs of Road, Cars, Engines, &c., $32,289 91. Leaving a nett income of $56,981 26 or over one thousand dollars per mile of road for the fiscal year ending on the first of the present month. This result is derived from the working of only twenty-five miles of road, or nearly so, as the trains were not run to Waterford, until the 9th of February, a season of the year when nearly all the products of the country had been forwarded to market. Could the road have been safely operated to Waterford from the time the track was laid down to that place, the receipts therefrom would have been materiallyaugmented without any increase oftrafic bythe increased distanec freight and passengers would have been transported.

The expense of repairs and operating the road may appear large and they would be so, if proper allowance is not made for the unprecedented heavy rains, and severe frost of the past winter, which increased the ordinary expenses of road, car and engine repairs. With the amount of equipments now on the road, the track may be put in such condition, and the drainage so perfected, during the present summer, that thereafter the expenses of track repairs will be very much lessened.

The want of suitable work shops and tools, for the economical repairs of machinery has largely increased the expenditures, for that purpose, and can only be hereafter remedied by the erection of suitable buildings, and the purchase of tools sufficient for repairs of engines and cars.

By reference to the report of Robert Sterling, Esq., the present Chief Engineer of your road accompanying this communication it will be seen that he estimates the entire cost of the road, including that portion now finished with all necessary depot buildings, engine and station houses, work shops, and a full complemen of rolling stock for the road, when fully completed and in operation, at $3,420,648 17 or $18,267 per mile.

In this amount of estimated cost is included the sum of $465,000 for equipments, and for depot and other buildings $140,707 22, making a total of $605,707 22.

In previous estimates of the cost of the road these items have not been included, as it was then thought, and is now believed, that the income of the finished portions of the road, during the construction of the residue, would be amply sufficient for the purchase of all necessary equipments, and the erection of all buildings required, previous to the completion of the entire work. Deduct the cost of equipments and buildings from the cost of the road, including those items and there would remain the sum of $2,814,840 95 as the necessary amount to prepare the road track for operation.

Your former Chief Engineer, M. B. Hewson, in his report made to the directory in May, 1853, estimated the cost of the road-bed, on the Oxford Ridge Route the one adopted at $1,261,352, and of the superstructure at $1,320,075, making the total cost of the road exclusive of equipment $2,581,427. Mr. Sterling makes the following estimate. For the road-bed $1,293 447, and for the superstructure $1,376,393 95, total $2,669,840 95, being $88,413 95 more than the estimate of Mr. Hewson.

In Mr. Sterling's estimates he has ambraced 4 3-4 miles of road, extending from the State line of Tennessee, to the Memphis and Charleston road costing about $90,000 that was not included in Mr. Hewson's computation. Mr. Hewson based his estimates for the superstructure on an iron rail weighing only 48 pounds to the lineal yard. Mr. Sterling's estimate is based upon a rail weighing 56 pounds to the yard, the weight of the rail adopted, and laid on your road.

The difference in the weight of the rail used, and the one recommended by Mr. Hewson would increase its cost, delivered on the line of road to the amount of $153,595. Thus showing that the present estimated cost of the road exclusive of equipments and buildings, is about $155,000, less than the estimate of Mr. Hewson, if proper allowance is made for the increased weight of iron rails. The most expensive portion of the entire road-bed is that division of it between the Memphis and Charleston road and the Tallahatchie river, upon which the track has been laid, as will be seen by reference to the report of the Chief Engineer.

The total cost of that part of the northern division now in operation, including all equipments. Depot and other buildings has been $20,400 per mile.

I have presented this statement at this time for the purpose of imparting additional assurance that your funds have been economically expended, and that your road may be constructed without any increase to the original estimated cost. The Chief Engineer reports fifty miles of track now laid down. Forty one on the northern division and nine miles on the southern. The earth work on

91 1 4 additional miles completed, three-fourths of the earth work executed on 26 miles, 20 miles not yet under contract.

The estimated cost of the unfinished work and the materials necessary to prepare the entire road-bed for the iron rails where the track is now laid is $361,023.

The cost of the unfinished grading and bridging, including cross-ties, not yet delivered, to prepare the road bed from the Tallahatchie river to Water Valley, a distance of 29 3-4 miles, and from the Big Black river to Teagues ferry road, a distance of 24 miles, is estimated at $119,085.

The cost of iron rails and laying them down on these two divisions embracing a distance of 53 3 4 miles, is estimated at $381,371 27.

There is now in New Orleans, Memphis, and on the line of road, a sufficient quantity of iron rails, chairs and spikes, to extend the track from the Tallahatchie river to Oxford, and from the present northern terminus of the southern division to the William's Ferry road. The cost of these materials amounting to $222,631 should be deducted from the above estimated amount of $381,371 27—leaving the sum of $158,740 27 necessary to be expended for materials for the track and laying the rails from the Tallahatchie river to Water Valley and to extend the track to Teagues Ferry road on the southern division.

If the foregoing estimates are correct, then the expenditures necessary to complete the road-track on the two portions of the road above referred to will be as follows:

For the road-bed,	$119,085 00
For iron rails, fastenings, and laying them down,	158,740 27
Making a total of	$277,825 27

The cost of preparing the road-bed from Water Valley to Teages Ferry road for the iron rails a distance of 83 1-4 miles is estimated, at $241,938, and for the iron rails and fastenings, including the expense of track laying $570,232 28, making the sum of $812,170 28.

Taking these statements as the correct cost of work and materials to complete the unfinished portion of the road, and the aggregate amount will be $1,089,995 55 exclusive of side tracks.

It should be remembered that any estimates on the cost of iron rails are as unsatisfactory as those on the price of Cotton, the former is as subject to changes of value as the latter. The actual cost of iron can only be known when purchased and delivered on the road way.

The cost of a full equipment of the road, when completed and in successful operation is estimated at $465,100 of this amount there has been expended for equipments now on the road, the sum of $124,449 68, leaving the sum of $340,650 32 to be hereafter expended for rolling stock, should it be found necessary to obtain the quantity upon which the estimate is based.

The estimated cost of Depot buildings, engine houses, and repair shops, and other buildings, for the entire road when completed is $140,707 22, of this sum there has been paid out $22,707 22, and there remains the sum of $118,000 to be hereafter expended for the discription of buildings, here referred to, whenever the necessities of the company may require them.

I entertain no doubt, that by the time your road is completed, or very soon thereafter, all the rolling stock, and buildings included in the estimate of your Chief Engineer, will be found requisite, and necessary for the efficient and economical operation of the road; until such completion is effected, a much less quantity than is embraced in his estimate will meet all the demands of the company, for efficient transportation of both passengers and freight.

A contract for two thousand tons of iron rails has been made for the track between Oxford and Water Valley, and between Williams Ferry and Teagues Ferry roads. Seven hundred tons of this iron have recently been delivered in New Orleans.

Contracts have also been entered into, for all the crossties that will be required to extend the track to Water Vally, on the Northern Division, and to Williams Ferry road, on the Soutnern Division, and most of them ard now ready for delivery.

The number of locomotives, passenger, and freight cars now on the track, with those for which contracts have been made, will furnish ample equipments, for both divisions of your road until the track is extended north of Teagues Ferry road and south of Water Valley.

Since your last meeting D. B. Molloy Esq. intending to remove from the state, has resigned the office of Treasurer of the Company, the duties of which, he has discharged with credit to himself, and with satisfaction to the directory almost from your first organization, and I have conferred upon A. J. McConnico your efficient Secretary, the appointment of Treasurer, untill the vacancy. occasioned by the resignation of Mr. Molloy, shall be filled by the Board of Directors. I herewith submit the report of Mr. McConnico, as Secretary and Treasurer, with the accompanying statements marked A., B , and C.

The statements marked "A", is an exhibit of the receipts into, and the disbursments from the Treasury, from the time of your organization to the close of the last fiscal year.

The total receipts into the treasury from all sources, to the first of the present month have been.....		$2,043,057 62
The disbursements during the same period, have been as follows:		
On account of construction of road, depot, and buildings, right of way &c.	$1,762,176 42	
On account of equipments,.....	124,449 68	

On account of salaries, stationary, attorney's fees, court cost, and expenses,	46,953 23	
Discount on Company, and other bonds sold, Interest, and Com.	23,857 44	
Repairs of track, engine and cars, conducting transportation &c.,	32,289 91	
Loss and damage,	1,037 09	
Remaining in the hands of the Treasurer, cash and other available assets	52,293 85	$2,043,057 62

Statement marked "B" exhibits the fiscal transaction of the company for the *year* ending on the first of the present month.]

At the date of the last Annual report of your Treasurer, there was remaining in his hands, cash, and other reliable assets, not all then available the sum of		$190,718 38
There has since been received by him from all scources,		505,531 74
Total,		$696,250 12
There has been paid out by him during the fiscal year on accoont of construction,	$497,140 43	
For equipments, depot, and station houses, fuel, &c.,	74,888 40	
Conducting transportation, repair of road, engine, cars, &c.,	32,289 92	
Discount on company and other bonds, Interests, Attorney's fees, court costs, expenses &c.,	39,187 88	
Loss and damage,	449 65	
Remaining in the hands of the Treasurer, cash, and other reliable assets.	52,293 85	$696,250 12

Statement marked "C" exhibits the amount due and to become due, on account of subscriptions to the capital stock of your company as follows:

Amount now due on county subscriptions	$36,549 30
" to become due on same in 1858	78,333 33
" " " " 1859	58,333 33
" now due on individual subscription,	170,691 27
Total due on subscription to capital stock,	$343,907 23

The remaining available assetts of the Company are as follows:

Amount yet to be received on the Chickasaw School Fund Loan,	$ 18,150 00

Estimated amount to be received from proceeds of sale of Internal Improvement Land.....		125,000 00
Amount of bonds of the State of Tennessee.....		8,500 00
Estimated nett income from the operation of the road for two years.....		250,000 00
Cash and other available assetts in the hands of the Treasurer.....		52,293 85
		$797,851 08
From this amount deduct for doubtful and insolvent individual subscriptions to the capital stock of the company,.....		60,000 00
Total of reliable assetts that may be available within two years.....		$737,851 08

The indebtedness of the Company is as follows:

FUNDED DEBT.

Amount of Company 7 per cent. bonds sold,.....		$ 56,000 00
" of Chickasaw School Fund Loan,.....		181,850 00
" of Tennessee State Bonds.....		45,000 00
" of loan from N. O., J. and G. N. R. R. Company.....		25,000 00
Total of Funded Debt.....		$307,850 00
Amount of floating debt.....	$151,132 85	
" due to contractors and others,	37,933 54	
" to become due " "	39,086 08	$228,152 45
Total indebtedness.....		$536,002 45

There will become due $51,964 98 of the floating debt before the first of January next and $59,167 85 subsequent to that period.

In addition to the above stated indebtedness there will become due, on contract for passenger and freight cars when delivered.....	$8,000 00
Duties on iron rails,.....	20,000 00
To these sums add the amount required to complete the road-bed to Water Valley on the northern division and to Teagues Ferry on the southern division,	119,085 00
For iron rails, chairs, spikes and track laying,.....	158,740 20
Side tracks (say).....	25,000 00
Floating debt to become due prior to January next,..	91,964 98
Due to contractors and others.....	37,933 54
To become due to contractors by January.....	30,000 00
Making the sum of.....	$490,723 72

To be provided for before the first of January next, if that portion of the road for which iron rails have been purchased, is to be com-

pleted, and the indebtedness of the company discharged.

To provide for the present and pro pective indebtedness of the company you may rely upon about $100,000 being realized from the assetts of the company, and the payment for materials provided for the track south of Oxford, to about the same amount will not become due until next year, leaving nearly $300,000 to be supplied to insure punctuality, in your pecuniary engagements, and a prosecution of the work on your road to the extent you desire during the present year.

To complete the road-bed between Water Valley and Teagues Ferry Road, according to the estimates of the Chief Engineer, will require an expenditure of $241.938 and a further sum of $570.232 28 for the superstructure and laying down the track.

An additional outlay of $150,000 for necessary buildings and equipments on this division of the road, would be also required, making an aggregate amount of $962,170 28. Add to this sum the estimated cost of the unfinished portions of the road from the Tallahatchie river to Water Valley, and from Canton to Teagues Ferry road $277,825 27, and the present floating debt of the company, $228,152 45, making an aggregate of $1,468,148 00, as necessary to complete your entire road, supply it with an amount of equipments, that will be required during the time of its construction, and erect all necessary buildings for the protection of property and accommodation of passengers.

Take from this sum of $1.468,148 00, the amount of the assetts of the company including the estimated income of the road for two years $737,851 08, and there remains $730,296 92 to be supplied to finish the road and provide partial equipments therefor.

As a portion of the assetts cannot be realized until 1859, and other portions, may not be at so early a period, you should not anticipate an energetic prosecution of the work of constructing that part of the road not now under contract unless the directory can realize $400 000 the present year, and the same amount during the year 1858 from other sources than the assetts now in their hands.

With this additional amount at their command, you could rely on a speedy extension of the road from Water Valley to Grenada, and the completion of the residue in a short period of time.

To provide for this deficiency in the amount of Capital necessary for the completion and equipment of your road, and prevent any suspension of the work now in progress, is of primary importance to the company.

In the two last annual reports I had the honor to submit for your consideration, I endeavored to direct the attention of stockholders to this subject and solicit their co-operation with the directory in their efforts to obtain a loan on the bonds of the company.

No action was taken on my recommendation, and no united effort of the stockholders has been obtained to secure an object of

so much importance to their interest, and the successful prosecution of the enterprize in which you are engaged.

The subject of selling the bonds of the company for the purpose of supplying any ascertained deficiency in the amount of capital required for the successful completion and equipment of your road, is not now presented to you for the first time.

Soon after the organization of the Company the subject was presented for your con ideration, and approved by a unanimous vote of the stockholders. Then it was expected that bonds to the amount of one million three hundred and fifty thousand dollars would have to be issued, to secure the final completion of your work. The Directory were by you authorized to issue and sell that amount and secure the payment thereof by a mortgage on all the present and futnre, to be acquired, property, effects and franchises of the Company. Now, in consequence of aid obtained from the State, and other sources not then anticipated, the Directory are of the opinion that it will not be necessary to sell the full amount they are authorized to issue. Any reduction in the amount to be sold will impart additional value to those placed upon the market, inasmuch as the security embraced in the mortgage will remain unchanged.

But a small amount of the bonds of the Company have been sold, and the greater portion of those disposed of have been taken by contractors in payment for materials and equipments, or for work executed on the road.

Several efforts have been made by the Directory to negotiate a sale of a sufficient amount of these bonds to enable them to prosecute the work on your road more expeditiously than they have heretofore done, but no offer has been received for any considerable amount of them that the Directory have felt themselves justified in accepting; nor have they met with discouragements at home or abroad, that should deter them from renewed efforts to accomplish an object so necessary to insure a speedy completion of the work they have in charge.

That unsuccessful efforts have been made to dispose of your bonds on terms satisfactory to the Directory, should not be a matter of surprise to any who reflect that during the past four years, twelve thousand eight hundred miles of railway have been constructed, at an expense of six hundred millions of dollars, and a large portion of this sum has been raised on the bonds of the several companies engaged in this herculean task. It is probable that the amount of this description of securities now held by the public is not less than eight hundred million dollars, most of them having, in the first instance, been purchased by speculating capitalists, in large amounts at the lowest price to which they could be reduced by operating on the necessities of those who placed them on the market, and then resold, at large profits to those who desire a safe and permanent investment.

The Directory of your Company have been fully sensible of the depressing effects that such a large amount of floating public securities must have upon the market value of any new one, yet, believing the punctual payment of the principal and interest on the bonds you have authorized to be issued, is secured beyond any reasonable doubt, they have been unwilling to press them on a depressed money market, and sell them at a price that would materially lessen the value of your stock investment. They have preferred to make less progress with your work, thus prevent a sacrifice on the sale of your bonds that they otherwise may have been compelled to make, and make another appeal to you to become the purchasers of them.

It is for you to determine if your interest will not be best promoted by a sale of your bonds at a less price than has heretofore been p aced upon them, and look to the advantages and benefits to be derived from the completion of your road, to reimburse you for any loss you may sustain by such reduction.

If the price of your company bonds is to be reduced, self-interest would seem to demand that they be taken by the stockholders, and thus enable them to realise, on the purchase, a sum equal to the loss on their stock originating from such reduction of price.

You know the value of the security offered to secure the payment of these bonds; you see the progress of the work; you can scrutinise its management after as well as before completion, and can prospectively appreciate its benefits and importance.

If you and other citizens of our State invest your capital in these bonds to any considerable amount, it will impart a confidence in in them that will almost insure favorable sales abroad, should you hereafter find it necessary to seek a foreign market for any portion of them.

You know the importance of the work in which you are engaged; you feel the necessity of its completion, and anxiously await the benefits to be derived from it. Are you willing to see the enterprise languish for want of the aid that you have the ability to supply, or by indifference to your own interest compel a resort for capital to complete your own undertaking to those who have no other interest in the enterprise than the amount of money they can make out of it.

You do not, you cannot, doubt the ability of the company to meet the obligations they assume by the issuance of these bonds, at the times and place they undertake to discharge them, for you are well advised of the productiveness of the country through which the road passes, and can very correctly estimate the quantity and value of its imports and exports, as well as the number of inhabitants embraced in the district of country tributary to the road, their wants and necessities, and can, therefore, arrive at very correct conclusions as to the amount of local passenger and freight traffic.

Few will undertake, and none can correctly estimate, the amount

of through traffic that will be thrown upon your road when finished and connections formed with other roads, North and South, now completed or in process of construction.

At Canton, the southern terminus of your road, commences the southern division of the New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern Road, now in part constructed, and will be completed in the early part of next year, opening a direct railway communication with the city of New Orleans.

On the North, your road intersects the Memphis and Charleston road, now completed and connects with the Mississippi Central and Tennessee road, extending to Jackson Tennessee, which will be finished in about two months, and over this latter road with the Mobile and Ohio road, upon which the track is now being laid between Jackson Tennessee, and Kentucky City, a point on the Mississipp river eighteen miles below Cairo, the southern terminus of the Illinois Central road now in operation its entire length.

From Dixon, a town on the Illinois Central road, near the southern boundary of the state of Wisconsin, a road of about fifty miles in length, is in contemplation to connect with the Chicago and Fon du Lac road, now constructing, and to be extended to Marquetta, on the southern shore of Lake Superior, and forming an almost direct norih and south line of railway, 1700 miles in length, from the Northern to the Southern boundary of our Union.

This long extended line of road of the same gage, is much nearer completion than may be supposed by those who have not investigated the sudject, and it is quite probable that yours will be the last link completed, in this long chain of inter-communication, presenting no obstacle but the Ohio River, to the passage of a train of cars from the city of New Orleans to the Copper Mines of Superior.

In addition to these northern and southern connections the Memphis and Charleston road, recently completed opens a direct railway communication with the Georgia, South Carolina, and Virginia roads, and all the Atlantic cities.

The present favorable prospect of the early completion of the Southern road, will, when finished, give you a more southern connection with the roads and cities above named, as well as those in the state of Alabama.

With these facilities for the inter-change of the productions of almost every climate known to our country in successful operation, and the transit of travel, that yearly flows north and south through the valley of the Mississippi, it is quite certain that the receipts of the road, from through traffic will equal, if it does not far exceed the amount derived from the local, and render your road one of the most profitable in the south west.

The procurement of these facilities for inter-communication with the local benefits and advantages that will surely flow from them almost within your grasp,, will you longer hesitate about supplying the means necessary to finish your part of the undertaking,

when you can do so on terms both safe and profitable and at the same time render productive the investment you have heretofore made in the enterprise? The iron laid, and to be laid, on the track, will of itself, more than equal in value, the amount of the loan the company will find it necessary to make, and would offer good security for the bonds to be issued exclusive of the other property and effects embraced in the mortgage.

At your last annual meeting, a committee was appointed to examine the books and accounts of all your officers and agents, as well as the condition of the property committed to their charge and report the result of their investigation to you at this time.

That committee have discharged the duty assigned them and are now prepared to submit their report for your consideration.

A thorough and critical examination of the books and accounts of the company, and investigation into the official acts of your officers and agents as well as the condition of the property of the company is of too much importance to your interest, to be omitted or imperfectly performed, and I cannot too urgently recommend to your favorable consideration the appointment at your present meeting of two committees for this purpose: one to examine the books, accounts, and property of the company on the southern division of the road and the other to perform the same duties on the northern division. Both committees to make such examinations and investigations, as often and at such times as they may deem proper, and report to your next annual meeting.

I am unwilling to close this communication without a further effort to stimulate you to a united action, and a zealous co-operation with the agents you may this day select, for the transaction of your business, during the current fiscal year, in such efforts as they may think proper to make, for the purpose of increasing the present available pecuniary means of the company and a more effectual extension of your road track. Your interest as well as duty demands this of you. The directory are but the legal agents through whom you act. They are entitled to, and should receive your zealous aid and support. Encourage them by your confidence and assistance. Stimulate them to increased exertions by your example. Do not expect them to overcome insurmountable obstacles, increased in numbers and magnitude, by your unwillingness to aid and assist in a work that is yours. You should not depend solely on their exertions in the prosecution of your undertaking—each and all of you should remember that you too, have a duty to perform and act as if the completion of your road depended on the exertion of each. Then, and perhaps not until then, you may realize the successful accomplishment of your wishes, and the benefits that will surely flow from the completion of the great artificial channel of trade, that will almost equal in importance and magnitude, the Mississippi river itself, and extend its benefits to every section of our State. All of which is respectfully submitted,

MAY 21ST, 1857. W. GOODMAN, PRESIDENT.

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

MISSISSIPPI CENTRAL RAILROAD,
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, NORTH DIVISION,
Holly Springs, Miss., April 30th, 1857.

W. Goodman, Esq., President Miss. Central Railroad Co.:

SIR: In submitting the present report for the eleven months ending April 30th, 1857, it is proper to state that the operation of the road has been under my direction only for the last three months. In making this report, I have had to rely upon information received from the books and papers filed away in the secretary and treasurer's office, and from data collected since my connection with your road.

The following statement exhibits the operation of the road open for transportation from the 1st of June, 1856, to the 30th of April 1857, inclusive:

Receipts from passengers,		$18,530 08
" " freight,		39,421 29
" " Mail,		1,320 00
Total gross receipts,		$59,281 37
Expenses—		
For conducting transporting,	$7,058 46	
" Motive power,	9 675 76	
" Maintainance of way,	11,948 44	
" " " cars,	1,570 59	
" " " Locomotives,	2,036 66	—32,289 91
Nett receipts for eleven months,		$26,981 46

It is proper to state that the road was open to Waterford Station on the 9th February, 1857, you had, therefore for 8 months only 25 miles in operation, and three months 34 1 2 miles the 9 1-2 miles from Holly Springs to Waterford, very much increased the expense of operating the road, without a corresponding increase in the receipts as it was opened after most of the cotton and other freights had reached their destination through other channels.

You have now on the line of road received and returned to the Secretary and Treasurer's Office 1,135 1-2 cords of wood. Materials on hand for Machine Shops valued at $750, and for repair of cars $350.

You have now in operation 41 1-2 miles of road from the grand Junction to the Tallahatchie river, in safe running condition, all of which, needs ditching, which can be done gradually during the Summer.

EQUIPMENT.—The motive power of the Nortnern Division of the road consists of the following locomotives:

NAMES	D. OF CY'L.	STROKE	D. OF DRIV.	REMARKS.
1 J. Collins,	14 inch	22 inch	5 feet	in shop for repairs
2 H. W. Walter	14 "	22 "	5 "	in good order
3 E. F. Potts,	15 "	24 "	4 1-2 "	" " "
4 D. B Molloy,	13 1-2 "	22 "	5 "	new, in good order
5 J. Brown	13 1-2 "	22 "	5 "	" " " "

The above locomotives are worth at present valuation $42,500.

The rolling stock consists of the following cars, &c,.

2 1st class passenger cars valued at	$4,5008
2 Baggage cars valued at	2.400
9 Box " " "	5,850
29 Flat " " "	14,500
3 Crank " " "	300
1 Small pole " " "	75
1 " Flat " " "	75
Rolling Stock worth present valuation,	$27,700

If the road is opened to Water Valley by the 1st of October, you will need in addition to the above rolling stock:

20 Box freight cars,	$15,000
10 Flat "	5,500
2 1st class passenger cars,	5,000
2 Baggage cars,	3,000
Additional rolling stock needed by 1st of October,	$28,500

Since my connection with your road, there has been opened for transportation seventeen miles of road, viz: From Holly Springs to Waterford 9 1-2 miles; and from Waterford to Tallahatchie River 7 1-2 miles. The road was opened to Waterford the 9th of February and to Tallahatchie on the 20th of April, 1857.

In view of opening the road to Water Valley from the best information I can obtain, I think we may safely estimate the receipts of the road for the next fiscal year, as follows:

Freight receipt for cotton, 50,000 bales, 1 dollar per bale,	$50,000
" " from other sources,	50,000
Receipts from passenger,	45,000
" " U. S. Mail,	2,000
	147,000

Expenses—

Conducting transpertation	19,500
Motive power, oil and materials,	15,500
Maintainance of way,	27,000

Repair of, and material for cars,..... 7,900–70,400

Nett receipts.....76,600

If the above estimate be correct the receipts of the road will fully equip it; as it progresses.

Local Business.—The country through which your road passes, possesses all the necessary elements to create a large local business. It has a salubrious climate and a naturally productive soil. By extending accommodations, saw mills and other manufacturing establishments will be erected; the country will become more densely populated; which will have the effect to build up a large and permanent business The interest of the public, through which a railroad passes, and the stockholders, to whom it belongs, are identical when correctly understood. What promotes the general prosperity of the one increases the revenue of the other.

Through Business.—There is not the shadow of a doubt in my mind, when your road is completed, the through business will far surpass the most sanguine expectations of its projectors. Connected at its northern terminus with the Memphis and Charleston Railroad. (now completed) and at Jackson, Tenn., with the Mobile and Ohio Railroad by the Mississippi Central and Tennessee Railroad, now rapidly approaching completion at its southern terminus with the New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern Road. presents a grand trunk line of railroad, extending by its connections to the north, north-east and east, and to New Orleans and the Gulf of Mexico to the South. A single glance at the map will satisfy the most incredulous of its pre-eminent success as a great southern railroad project.

Respectfully submitted,

E. G. WALL, Superintendent Northern Division.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER.

MISSISSIPPI CENTRAL RAILROAD,
CHIEF ENGINEER'S OFFICE,
Holly Springs, May 1st, 1857.

W. Goodman, Esq., President Miss. Central Railroad Co.:

SIR: Agreeable to your request I have prepared and submit the following report of the progress of the work of construction, and the condition of your road, for the information of the stockholders and directors.

Having been connected with the road only about one month, I have had to rely upon statements of the resident engineers—what information I could obtain from the records of the company in the Secretary's and Treasurer's office, and one hurried trip over the line of road for the facts from which this report is made.

I intended to have gathered statistics from which statements could have been made, showing the amount of local and through freight and passenger business, that will be thrown upon your road, but the limited time allowed to prepare my report would not admit of it! These statements will be furnished as soon as they can be made, also a map showing the location of the road, and its connection north and south.

The following statement shows the cost of all local work. Grubbing and clearing, grading, bridging, trestle-work, masonry, cross ties, &c., required to prepare the road-bed for receiving the track, now done, yet to be done, and the total cost of the same when complete.

FROM	TO	MILES	COST OF W'K D'NE	C. OF W. TO BE D.	TOTAL C'T WHEN C'D
Junction.....	Talla. R.	41.00	$422,394		$ 422 394
Tall. River...	Oxford	13.33	126,718	11,477	138,195
Oxford.....	Water Val.	16.56	73,013	67,638	140,651
Water Valley,	Grenada	28.96	59,726	65,716	125,442
Grenada.....	Teagues F	54.38	63,132	176,222	239,354
Teagues F. R	Canton	33.00	187,441	39,970	227,411
J'n M & C C R	Canton,	187.23	$932,424	$361,02	$1,293.44

Total cost of local work from junction with M. & C. R. R. to Water Valley 70.89 miles when complete.....$701,240

Average cost per mile $9,888 from Water Valley to Teagues Ferry road, 83.34 miles..... 367,696
Average cost per mile $4,401 from Teagues Ferry Road to Canton, 33 miles..... 227,411
Average cost per mile..... 6,588
Average cost of local work per mile on whole road.... 6,980

Length of Road-bed, ready to receive cross-ties and iron, and he length yet to be graded.

FROM.	TO	DIST M	S MIL S	N G M
Junction.....	Tallahatchie River	41.00	41.00	
Tallahatchie River...	Water Valley	29.80	21.50	8.39
Water Valley.....	Teagues Ferry	83.34	47.02	36.34
Teagues Ferry Road	Canton	33.00	31.75	1.25
Junction.....	Canton	187.23	141.27	45.96

Of the 45 96-100 miles not graded, 26 96-100 have been more or less worked upon. Some of them nearly finished, about three-fourths of all the work required to complete them is now done. Of the remaining twenty sections upon which ground has not yet been broken, eleven are in Carroll county, and have upon them 161,000 yards earth-work—nine are in Holmes county with 268,000 yards earth work upon them.

On two of the nine sections in Holmes county, No. 135 and 137, there are deep cuts to be taken out, which it will take at least a year to complete. These sections will be put under contract at the earliest moment, an opportunity offers of doing so upon favorable terms. All the unlet earth work should be put under contract, as soon as practicable, to ensure its completion in time for track laying.

Length of track laid and cost of iron and track-laying:

From junction to Tallahatchie River, 41 miles.....$291,355 00
From Canton north, 9 miles..... 63 956 00
Side tracks laid, 1 8-10 mile 12,791 23

Total cost of 51 8-10 miles track laid.....$368.102 23

Length of main and side track to be laid, and cost of iron and laying down the same.

From Tallahatchie River to Water Valley 29.89 miles .....$ 212,405 51
From Water Valley to Teagues Ferry Road. 83.34 miles 570,232 28
From Teagues Ferry Road to Canton, 24 miles... 163.965 76
Add for side tracks, 8.20 miles 56,687 17

Total cost of track to be laid, 145.43 miles.....$1,008,290 72
Total cost of track laid, 51.80 miles..... 368,103 23

Total cost of main and side tracks, 197.23.....$1,376,393 95

Nine thousand five hundred tons of iron rails have been purchased, with chairs and spikes enough to lay 108 miles of track. This will be all the iron needed to extend the track to Water Valley from the north, and to Teagues Ferry Road from the southern terminus.

Of the 9,500 tons purchased, 2,315 tons have been delivered at Canton—3,835 tons have been deliver on the north end of the road; 1350 tons are still in New Orleans, or on their way to Memphis; the remaining 2,000 tons have not yet arrived in New Orleans, but 700 tons of this 2,000 have been shipped, and all will be delivered as soon as needed for the track. Iron rails, chairs and spikes for 89 1-4 miles in addition to what we now have, will be required to complete the main track and the necessary side tracks. Sufficient rolling stock has been purchased to equip and accommodate the business of your road when put in operation to Water Valley from the north, and Teagues Ferry Road from Canton at a cost of $155,600.

Of the above amount purchased the number of locomotives and cars delivered on the line of road and paid for, is as follows:

On the north end—

5 locomotives,
2 1st class passenger cars,
2 baggage and 9 box cars,
29 platform cars,
3 crank cars,
1 small flat and 1 small dirt car.

On the south end—

3 locomotives,
14 platform and 1 box car.

Cost of rolling stock, delivered and paid for.....$122,047 88

The balance will be delivered as the track laying progresses and hey are needed.

In addition to the rolling stock already purchased there will be required, on the opening of your road through:

15 locomotives,
18 1st class passenger cars,
9 baggage and 107 box cars,
37 platform and 8 crank cars,
30 gravel cars.

Costing.....$309 500
Cost of rolling stock purchased..... 155,600

Total cost of equipment.....$465,100

The amount of rolling stock as estimated above, I consider enough to operate your road when finished. It may, however, be too small. As it is a difficult matter for one to calculate the amount

of business your road will do, without being fully posted in the statistics necessary as data from which to make the calculation. If the amount required is estimated by comparison with other roads of equal length, it will be almost certain to fall short of what experience will show to be the true estimate. The Mobile and Ohio Railroad will be running from Columbus, the northern terminus to Jackson, Tenn., in about one year. The Mississippi Central and Tennessee Railroad will be operating to Jackson in one or two months. The New Orleans, Jackson and Great Northern Railroad has a gap of but about 60 miles to finish to complete the connection between Canton and New Orleans! This gap will also be filled in about one year. The connection both north and south will be in running order in about a year, leaving your road the last central link in the great trunk line of railway, connecting the Ohio river and the whole system of northern roads with New Orleans—throwing upon your road an amount of business that will compel you to put on a full equipment the moment the track is laid through.

Cost of Depot Buildings, Engine Houses, Repair Shops, Section Houses, Water Stations and Turn-tables built on the north end of the Road,.....	$22,707 22
Cost of the same that should be built next year	58,000 00
" " for balance of Road,.....	60,000 00
Total cost for the whole Road,.....	$140,707 22

Engine Houses and Turn-tables at Holly Springs and Canton are very much needed for convenience, and indispensable to the proper protection of the machinery now on the road. These buildings will be put under contract as soon as plans and specifications can be prepared, and erected as soon as possible.

SUMMARY OF ESTIMATE.

Cost of local work, Grubbing and Clearing, Grading, Bridging, Trestle-work, Masonry, Cattle Guards, Cross-Ties &c., necessary to prepare the road-bed receiving Track.....	$1,293,447 00
Iron Rails, Chairs, Spikes, Frogs, Switches and Track laying for main track and 10 miles side track,.....	1,376,393 95
Rolling Stock,.....	465,100 00
Depot Buildings, Engine Houses, Repair Shops, Section Houses, Water Station, Turn-tables,	140,706 22
Engineering and Contingencies.....	125,000 00
Right of way,.....	20,000 00
Total cost of Road,.....	3,420.6 8 17
Average cost per mile,.....	18,267 00

TABLES OF GRADES.

GRADE PER MILE.	NO. PLAINS.	LENGTH OF MILES.
Level	100	49.89
0 to 10 feet	57	23.00
10 to 20 "	100	28-14
20 to 30 "	104	24.00
30 to 42 8-10 feet	104	62.00

By referring to the above tables of Grades it will be seen there are nearly 50 miles level. The grades for more than half the length of the whole line fall under 20 feet per mile. The grades over 20 and the maximum 42 8-10 per mile are mostly confined to the northern end of the road from the Junction to Water Valley.

Total length of straight line,.....	136 1-4 miles
" " curved "	51 1-4 "
" No. degrees curvature.....	3066 "
Minimum Radius,.....	2292 feet

The curvature of the Minimum Radius is a very small proportion of the whole line, and is confined to the northern half of the road, being in no case introduced south of Grenada.

Between Canton and Shongalo a distance of 54 1-2 miles no curve is used of a less radius than 11,460 feet. Even the sharpest curve used is of so long a radius, as to be quite unobjectionable in the practical working of the road, and will in no way interfere with the safe passage of loaded trains at high rates of speed.

The Track-laying has been delayed for some time at the Tallahatchie on account of the Trestle-work not being finished. The contractor, Capt. Barney, had a large force at work and would have finished the trestle-work and raised the bridge (which is all framed ready to be put up) in a very short time, if the recent freshets had not driven him from the work. I think he can begin operations again in a few days, and lay the track across the river by the 20th, once out of the bottom there will be no detention, till the track reaches Oxford. The grading will all be out of the way. The trestle for 6 miles is all framed and partly raised, and all the ties required are delivered on the lines.

The trestling, bridging and masonry between Oxford and Water Valley will be put under contract very soon, and every effort will be made to push forward the work, so there may be no detention when the track reaches Oxford, but that track-laying may continue on uninterrupted till it reaches Water Valley. If in the mean time, iron can be procured, there is no reason why we should rest a single day at Water Valley, for all the local work yet to be done can be completed as fast as the track can be laid down to Grenada.

There have been similar difficulties and causes of detention at the south end of the road, as at the Tallahatchie River. The work on the Big Black bridge was so far behind hand, when I was at Canton I saw no chance of its being put up in time for the track to be laid over it and completed to Teagues Ferry road by September. Under the circumstances a temporary crossing on piles was decided upon as the most expiditious, and safe plan for the crossing and one that would not interfere with the erection of the permanent Bridge. You have a line of road 187 1-4 miles in length, located centrally through the very heart of the finest cotton growing portion of the State—with 50 miles of track already laid, iron rails and fastenings for 58 miles more. Rolling stock enough to operate the 108 miles when open for business. The grading for 141 miles finished and on 26 3-4 done. With the above amount of work accomplished and materials provided, there certainly should be no great difficulty in obtaining means to purchase the Iron for the balance of the road.

Having no debt hanging over our road, a large amount of the means required to build the necessary Depot Buildings and purchase Rolling Stock, will be furnished from the net earnings of the road as it progresses toward completion.

The net receipts of the Northern Division as estimated by Mr. Wall, Superintendent, for the next year, based upon the supposition that the track will be extended to Water Valley by next October will be $76,600. Putting down the net receipts of the Sothern Division for the next year at $25,000, which I think a safe estimate and you have $101,600 as the net receipts for the year, providing the track is laid no farther than Teagues Ferry road from the South and Water Valley from the North.

The earnings of the road will increase very rapidly as the track is extended and I think I am perfectly safe in estimating the net receipts during its construction at $400,000 in the aggregate. Which sum (except so much as may be required during the construction, to pay the interest on any debt that may be created) may be used in procuring equipment and erecting Buildings to accommodate the business thrown upon the road.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBT. STERLING, *Chief Engineer.*

SECRETARY & TREASURER'S REPORT.

OFFICE OF MISS. CENTRAL R. R. COMPANY,
HOLLY SPRINGS, 30TH APRIL, 1857.

W. Goodman, Esq., President Miss. Central Railroad Co:

SIR: By a reselution of the Stockholders, adopted at their last Annual Convention, the fiscal year was made to end on the 30th day of April. I therefore have the honor to hand you the accompanying Reports, marked A B and C, exhibiting the present fiscal condition of the Company, the receipts and payments since 7th June last, and the uncollected balance on Stock Subscriptions.

The only explanation necessary, in this communicatiou, is in reference to the amount paid "Attorney's Fees and Court Costs." That item embraces the Salary of the Attorney of the Company from the 15th December, 1853 to the present time.

Very Respectfully, Yours,

A. J. McCONNICO, *Secretary and Treasurer.*

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BALANCE SHEET MISSISSIPPI CENTRAL BAILROAD

RECEIPTS		
Capital Stock.....	1,422,170 59	
First Mortgage Bonds of Co.....	55,811 68	
Interest Account.....	15,333 60	
Chickasaw School Fund.....	181,850 00	
Tennessee State Bonds.....	36,726 82	
N. O. & J. Railroad Company..	25,000 00	
Profit and Loss.....	18,459 95	
Sinking Fund.....	281 16	
		1,755,633 80
Freight Account,.....	39,421 29	
Passenger Accounts.....	18,530 08	
U. S. Mail Service.....	1,320 00	
	.....	59,271 37
Cash bal. to contractors & others	37,933 54	
Bills Payable.....	151,132 83	
Reserved Fund, due and payable to Contractors on completion of work.....	39,086 02	
		228,152 45

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COMPANY, APRIL 30TH 1857.

EXPENDITURES.		
Real & Personal property.....	6,651 05	
Graduation Account.....	865.826 82	
Iron Rails Chairs & spikes.....	586.584 56	
Right of way.....	13,953 22	
Stone Masonry.....	6,109 44	
Engineering Department.....	99,733 15	
Turn Tables.....	431 88	
Bridges, Trestles, & Culverts....	69,121 63	
Superstructure.....	55,967 12	
Depot grounds & buildings and Section Houses.....	21,491 21	
Repair Shop	1,500 21	
Track Laying.....	31,218 00	
Water Stations.....	3,488 21	
		1,762,172 42
Office and Stationary Account...	1,700 41	
Salary.....	22,825 00	
Attorney's Fees and court costs..	12,366 77	
Printing Account.....	1,929 35	
Contingent Expenses.....	8,131 70	
	.....	46,953 23
Locomotives.....	74,801 41	
Cars.....	47,246 47	
Fuel Account.....	2,401 80	
	.....	124,449 68
Discount on Company Bonds....	3,659 96	
Interest on Same.....	921 2[illegible]	
Discount on M. & C. R. R. bonds	9,791 67	
Interest on Chickasaw S. Fund	8,934 53	
Commision Account.....	550 00	
	.....	23,857 44
Maintainance of Cars.....	1,570 59	
" " Locomotives...	2,036 66	
" "Way.....	11,948 44	
Motive Power	9,675 76	
Conducting Transportation.....	7,058 46	
	.....	32,286 91
Cash in hands of Treasurer, and on deposit in sundry banks....	7,107 88	
Personal Accounts.....	9,126 21	
Bills Receivable.....	16,878 01	
Memphis & C. R. R. Company	17,314 02	

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BALANCE SHEET, MISSISSIPPI CENTRAL

RECEIPTS		
Amount brought forward.....		2,048,057 92

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COMPANY, APRIL 30TH 1857.

Suspense Account.....	1,867 73	52,293 85
Loss and Damage.....		1,039 09
		.....
		2,043,057 62

A J. McCONNICO,
Secretary and Treasurer.

[B.]

TREASURER'S REPORT

MISSISSIPPI CENTRAL R. R. CO., APRIL 30TH, 1857.

To balance on hand, per report, June 7th, 1856, consistiug of cash, bills receivable, and other available assetts	$190,718 38	$190,718 38
Amount of suspense account, June 7, '56.....	2,660 66	2,660 66
Receipts on account capital stock.....	210,312 73	
Receipts on account company bonds.....	38,891 68	
Receipts on account School Fund of Marshall	1,053 35	
Receipts on account Chickasaw School Fund.....	86,000 00	
Receipts on account Tennessee State Bonds....	36,726 82	
Receipts on account N. O., J. & G, N. R. R. Co...	25,000 00	
Receipts on account Interest Account.....	5,058 80	
Receipts on account Bills Payable	49,556 33	
Receipts on account Freight Account	39,421 29	443,599 71
Receipts on account Passenger Account.....	18,530 08	
Receipts on account U. S. Mail Service.....	1,320 00	59,271 37
By payments on account of Construction, as follows:		
Graduation	173,734 23	
Iron rails, chairs and spikes	202,618 59	
Bridges and trestles.....	40,531 89	
Cross ties.....	30,052 76	
Right of way.....	1,836 97	
Stone masonry.....	6,109 44	

[B.—Continued.]

Engineering	16,549 39		
Turn tables	431 88		
Real and Personal Property	593 80		
Track laying	14,800 04		
Reserved Fund (Graduation)	9,881 44		$497,140 43
Equipments, Depots and Section Houses	10,679 56		
Water Stations	893 43		
Car Shop	1,055 48		
Fuel Account	1,670 22		
Locomotive and cars	60,589 71		74,888 40
Conducting Transportation, including Motive Power, Repairs of Road, Cars and Locomotives, and loss and damage	32,289 91		32,288 91
Discount and Commission on M. & C. R. R. Bonds and Company Bonds	12,351 63		
Interest on Chickasaw School Fund and Company Bonds	9,642 86		
Attorney's Fees and Court Costs	6,502 64		
Expense Accounts, including salaries, contingent expenses, stationery printing and office accounts	10,690 75		39,187 88
Assetts on hand, say—			
Cash	7,107 88		
Personal Accounts	9,126 21		
Bills receivable	10,878 01		
Account vs. Memphis and Charleston R. R. Co.	17,314 02		
Suspense account	1,867 73		52,293 85
Loss and damage			449 65
		$696,150 12	$696,250 12

A. J. McCONNICO, Secretary and Treasurer.

[C.]

UNCOLLECTED BALANCE

On Stock Subscription to Miss. Central R. R. Co., April 30th, '57.

Individual subscription in Marshall county.....	$37,408 33		
Individual subscription in Lafayette county.....	20,344 07		
Individual subscription in Yalobusha county.....	53,008 88		
Individual subscription in Carrol county.....	22,348 74		
Individual subscription in Holmes county.....	17,687 65		
Individual subscription in Madison county.....	11,775 10		
Individual subscription in Yazoo county.....	2,840 00		
Individual subscription in Choctaw county.....	5,276 50	$170,691 27	$343,907 23
County subscription in Marshall	38,367 48		
County subscription in Lafayette	36,399 57		
County subscription in Yalobusha.....	60,411 81		
County subscription in Holmes	38,056 00	173,215 97	
Of the above amount payable by counties there will become due in the Spring of 1858.....	78,333 33		
Of the above amount payable by counties there will become due in the Spring of 1859.....	58,333 33	136,666 66	
Leaving a balance now due by counties of		36,549 30	
Leaving a balance now due by individuals.....		170,691 27	343,907 26

A. J. McCONNICO, Secretary and Treasurer.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE'S PEPORT.

To the Stockholders of the Mississippi Central Railroad, in session at Oxford:

The undersigned, your committee, acting under a resolution passed at the last annual meeting of the stockholders to examine into the books, papers, property and effects of the company, have been in discharge of that duty and beg leave to make the following report:

Through the kindness of your President and Secretary, every facility was afforded us to make the most minute examinations, and every attention was shown to enable us to acquaint ourselves with the property of the company from the grand junction to the Tallahatchie river.

We began our investigation by overhauling the cash accounts of your late treasurer, which we examined very carefully—upon these books may be seen every dollar of money that has been paid into that department from the organization of the company—while they thus show the receipt of monies, they also show every dollar that has been paid out. Not contenting ourselves merely with overlooking the books and transactions of the past year, we had the vouchers all laid before us, and scrutinized them; we found them all correct—in every instance where we did not understand any thing correctly, it seemed to be a pleasing duty of your President and Secretary, and also your late Treasurer, who happened to be present, to afford us the means of satisfying ourselves. According to the system of these books, we hardly see how any collusion can be entered into, to the detriment of stockholders that could not easily be detected by any committee you might at any time appoint—the one seems to be a check upon the other, and evil indeed must be the united hearts of your officers to commit any great wrong to your Company.

In addition to the minute examination we gave the cash books of your company, we took a fair glance into all the books under the immediate control of your Secretary, and unhesitatingly pronounce them well kept, in good order, and easily to be understood, and it would be doing great injustice to our feelings not to compliment his work most highly.

At every station we examined books, and are bound to acknowledge the whole system meets our decided approval—we also found your interest in every department of the railroad confided to clever and as it seemed to us accommodating gentlemen.

As far as completed and as far as we are able to judge, we pronounce your road a good one, and will compare favorably with any over which we have ever travelled, and notwithstanding the intimations from many sources to the reverse, which we ourselves were too ready to give into, we honestly believe that the greatest possible economy has been used in its construction—in fact, your committee, with all the lights before them, are free to believe it is so far one of the cheapest roads ever built in the southern country.

We have given ourselves great care to find out the causes that created the slow progress the road has been making toward completion, and are well satisfied that nothing has been left undone on the part of your chief officers that it was possible for them to do, to extend the track. The causes have to some extent been providential, and now that the inclement and bitter winter has passed away, we may look forward for greater success. So far from selfish feelings on the part of its friends to detain the road in the vicinity of Holly Springs, as has been charged, we find a deeper interest manifested by them to push forward the work, than has yet been exhibited in some of the lower counties. To keep up the credit and means of the company, your President has not drawn one dollar of his salary for the past three years, while he has created individual liabilities for the benefit of the road, that would astonish those who are captious toward him—the early and fast friend of the road, H. W. Walter, Esq., has acted a similar part, by creating large individual liabilities to advance the road—in fact, Stockholders, your whole board of directors have been faithful, and all they wish to enable them to act, is to feel and know they are acting right, and for the interest of the road. In future, Stockholders, before we complain, let us inform ourselves—stand up to your Board—stand up to your President, for we believe him an honest man; bear up his arms, and be united in the struggle, and with one accord determine the road shall go through and be built.

In conclusion, and although not strictly in conformity with the duties assigned us, yet as the friends of the road, allow us to urge upon you the recommendations of your President, and in the disposition of your bonds do not be "penny-wise and pound-foolish," by holding them at a sum in the market that they will not bring—sell them for a price to realize money to put the road through, and soon you will realize dividends that will compensate you double in the end.

Very Respectfully,

GEO. S. GOLLADAY,
A. D. STEATHAM,
O. J. MOORE.
} COMMITTEE.

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